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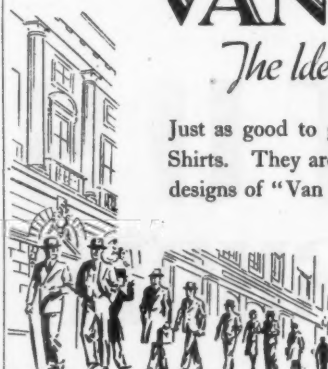
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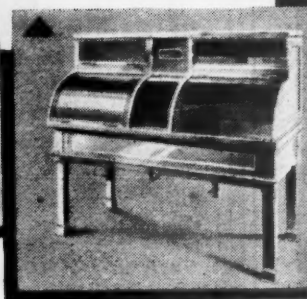
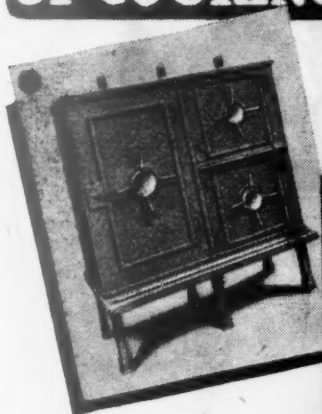
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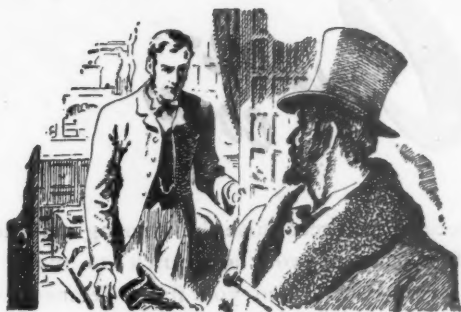
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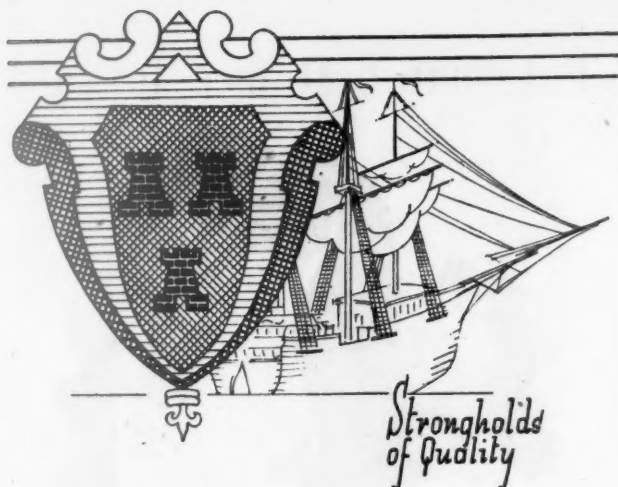
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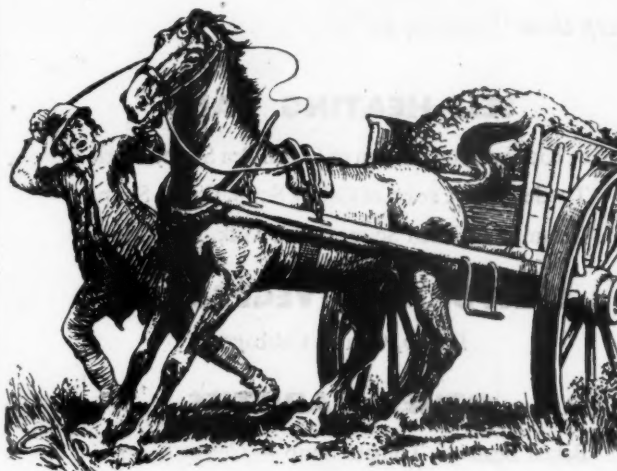
Perpetual Motion

Scientifically it is said to be impossible to achieve perpetual motion but the movement of traffic over the railways comes very near it.



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*A good servant
doth not
all commands*



This was one time when the horse knew best. He saw the snake in the path. Let's hope he got a good feed of oats after his beating. There have been times when we have taken a beating for refusing to do as we were told. But such occasions are rare. Happily for us our customers know how to treat a good servant. As for those who think they know it all and aren't willing to listen to mere servants — well, they just don't get the best out of us.



HERE ARE TWO GOOD STOP NUTS
Which should you choose for
your purpose? Will you tell us
or shall we tell you? Neither.
Let's decide together.



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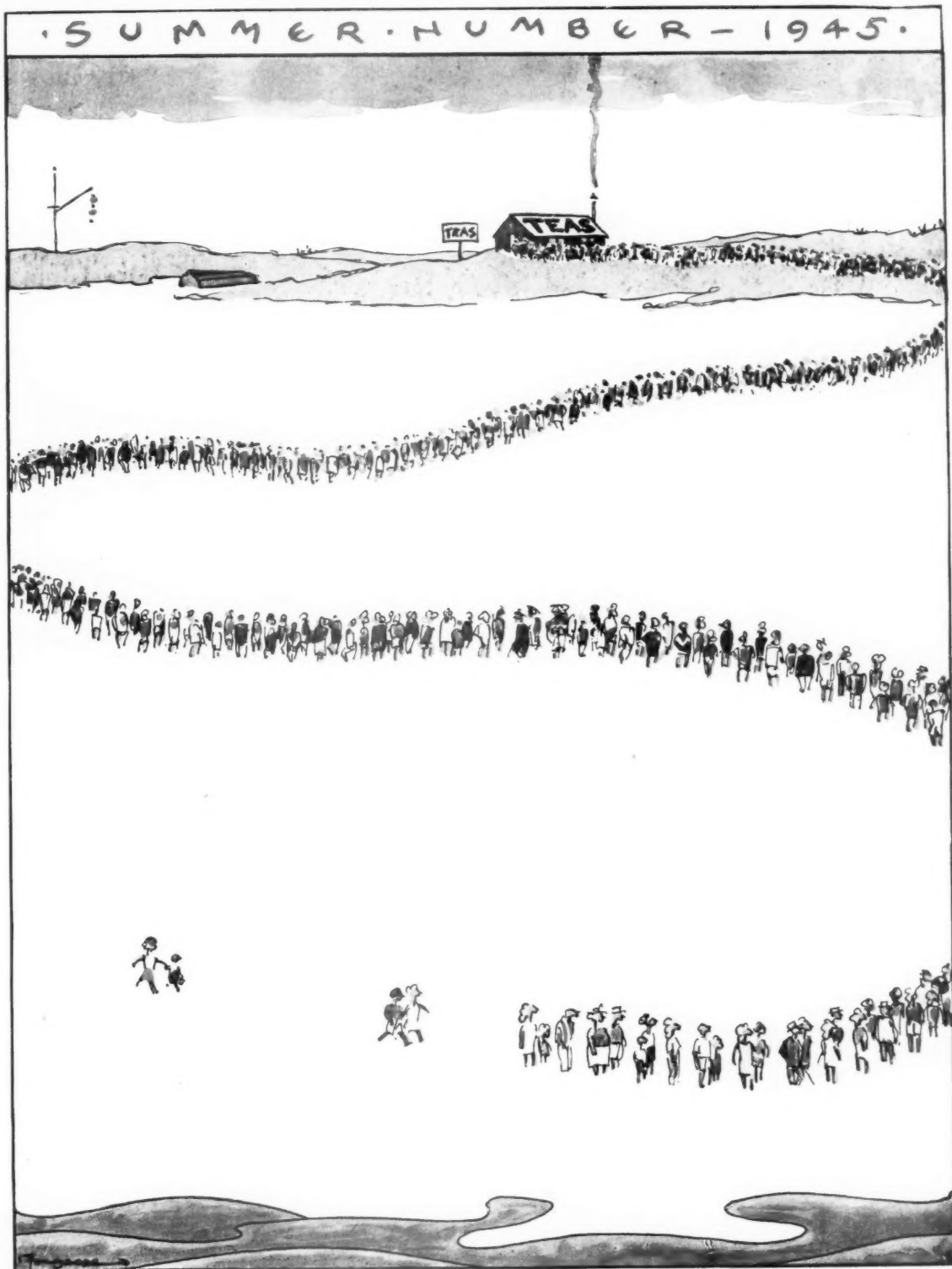
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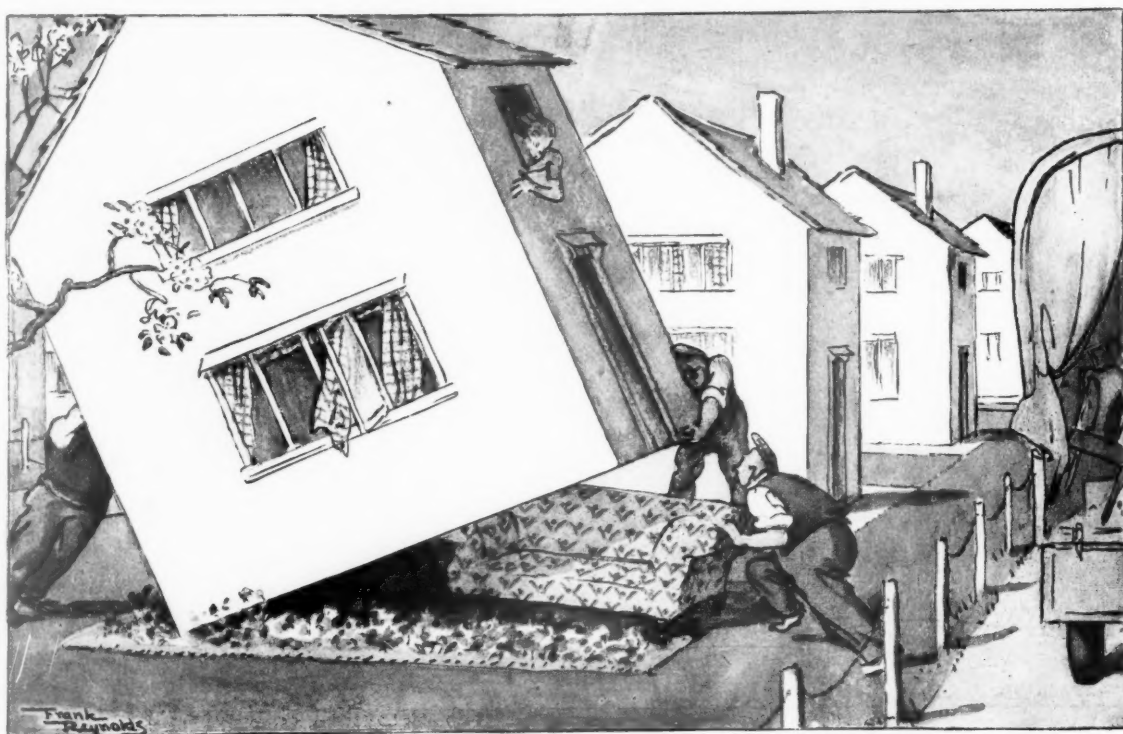
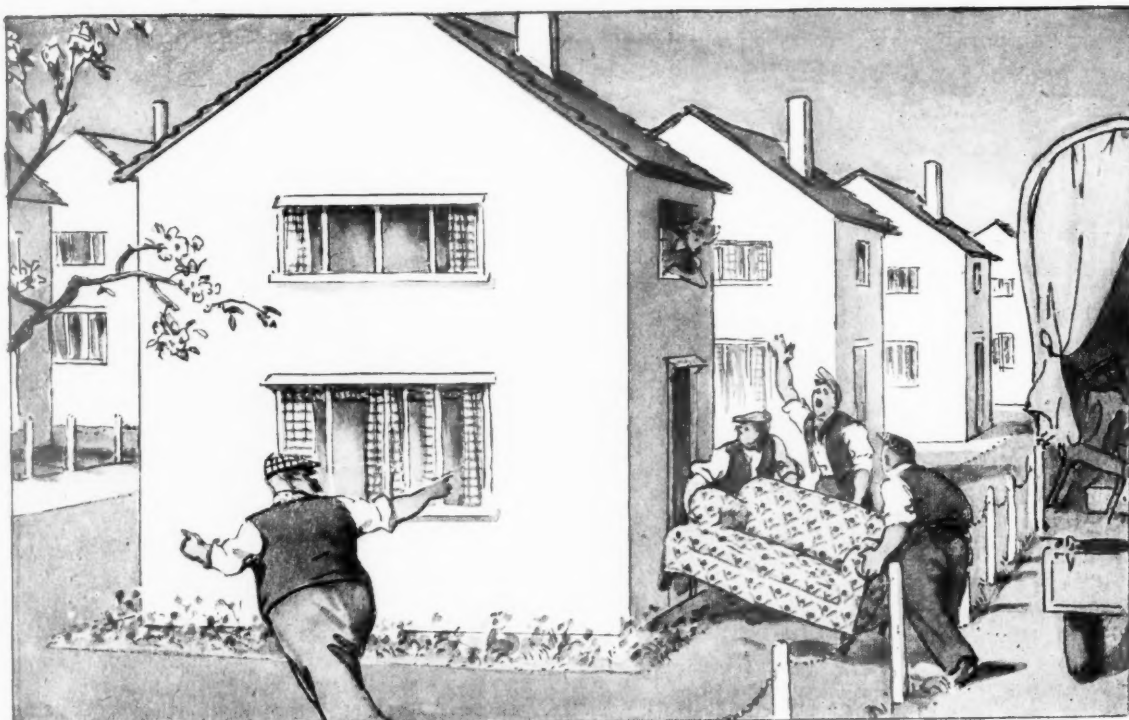
When there's a rush on the refreshments, the popular partner is the one who wins through to the Weston biscuits! They taste so good, and they renew the energy used up on duty — and off! Made from the finest ingredients obtainable, blended by experts, and baked in the Weston way, they are as delicious as they are nourishing. A favourite choice to-day is Weston Rich Digestive, 1/4d. a pound.

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THE UNCHANGING FACE OF BRITAIN





"... and here's 'How to Make Friends with Animals,' which I'm returning."



"I hope you've noticed we've followed your suggestion about shifting the hat-stand, Mr. Crabtree?"

The Phoney Phleet

H.M.S. "Something Mary"

COMMANDER PARCEL late in life
Married a nicely-brought-up wife:
She listened well, drank nothing and had money.
Perfect in fact in all respects,
Void of the usual defects,
Mary was unadulterated honey.

Obedient to his every whim
She only asked one thing of him,
One tiny thing—that he should give up swearing.
But though he gladly made the pact—
It seemed so little to exact—
After a time he found it more than wearing.

Debarred from blasting people's eyes,
He was compelled to improvise
Anæmic little expurgated versions.
At times the strain was too acute;
He'd stand there, apoplectic, mute
And paralysed with unexpressed aspersions.

He had bad luck. In Bongo Bay
He let the *Schnitzler* get away,
Losing an opportunity of ramming.
Just as he was about to close
Some zany trampled on his toes
And Parcel had a stroke from dammed-up damning.

They put him down a rank for that,
Taking the oak-leaves off his hat.
Then, next, he hit an iceberg without warning.
They said he should have turned. In fact
He couldn't see or think or act—
He'd lost his only collar-stud that morning.

So it went on, this upright man
Maintaining an unnatural ban
Which dragged him down in swift successive stages,
Until at forty-three or four
He was a midshipman once more,
Solely because he hadn't sworn for ages.

A Snotty! *Snotty* Parcel now!
There was a fundamental row
When Mary heard this vulgar designation:
She, who abhorred the palest curse,
Actually married to far, far worse!
She sued at once for legal separation.

This news drove poor old Parcel mad.
It's more than usually sad
Because he's lost his memory in addition.
Now that he's free to swear all day
He can't remember what to say
Nor, on *his* pay, can he afford tuition.

He's bought himself an ancient boat,
Painted her with a blood-red coat
And, *pro tem.*, christened her the *Something Mary*.
He's sailing, he says, to a distant sea
In search of his something vocabularee
And won't come back. Once bitten, twice something wary.



"She says: 'Do send me a picture of yourself in your lovely green uniform, so that I can think of you as you really are.'"

Our War-Time Query Corner

Ask Evangeline!

Q. Can you tell us where the men-holes (?) are situated in prefabricated houses, as our present manhole is immediately over the bath and my sister and I have promised each other we will not move into another home similarly planned, our reason being that the mounting of a pair of closed step-ladders in so concave a receptacle as a bath every time we want to look at the tank is often a quite unnerving undertaking as the steps tend to skate about on the glossy bath bottom. Only two days ago Clorinda tripped with such violence that a gas-bracket was wrenched out of the wall, and, had she not first clung to the shower nozzle and then saved herself on father's shaving strop, an old and valued towel-horse of ours would almost certainly have been smashed to matchwood.

(Miss) ZENA BRACEGIRDLE.

A. I am surprised that grown women should indulge in such antics for the furtherance of an activity so frivolous as the periodic watching of a perfectly static water-tank. Surely a large clear photograph would serve the purpose better than these hare-brained escapades which you describe. However, your query is receiving attention, though at present prefabricated houses resemble ghosts in that one seldom meets with anyone who has actually seen them.

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Q. A highly-principled lady of my acquaintance named Mrs. Poop, though one of the present Government's keenest supporters in fuel-saving and in restricting the use of the telephone (she makes it her business playfully to turn off any gas or electricity she sees burning unnecessarily in friends' houses, and claims to have got one hundred and nineteen persons out of telephone kiosks without having put through their calls) has yet never felt she could endorse the P.M.G.'s policy in increasing letter postage charges to 2½d., and as a gesture of disapproval has continued sending letters stamped at the old rate. This means an excess payment of 2d.—no light burden for those like myself who are sent a chapter of her nature journal bi-weekly. Is there anything one can say?

VIOLET E. TWITTERHORN.

A. You might quote the case of a

similar purist who makes a point of writing "Please Forward" on letters and sending them to two or three intermediary addresses first, thus getting rather more than double the value for each 2½d. stamp.

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Q. I am an art-loving tripe-dresser that has been tossed from furnished room to furnished room and is now on the look-out for a wee unfurnished apartment. I wouldn't mind how tiny if I could feel secure from interruption just for a little while occasionally if I felt I wanted to express my ego in free association wall drawings, so what do I do?

FLOTSAMA.

A. If spaciousness and length of tenancy are in themselves no object, why not take a season ticket at your public baths and enjoy the privacy of a dressing cubicle? Alternatively, if you could tear yourself away from the tripe, you might try for a job as lady-watchman, as this would entail part-time possession of well-ventilated shelters, complete with seat and old-world heating arrangement.

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Q. Ours being a district of post-pliocene deposits, am I right to assume that in continuing digging beneath my floral clock I shall eventually reach coal? I have been criticized.

CHESHIRE GENTLEMAN.

A. Your assumption is correct, so I dare say the criticism you mention springs either from petty jealousy or from anxiety on the part of neighbours. Some people are easily unnerved if they think others are excavating beneath their homes; however, it is a case of *chacun pour soi* these days, though it seems a pity you did not think of hacking up the floors in your downstairs rooms and carrying on mining operations indoors where you could do so unobserved. This of course might still be done successfully if you first filled in your floral clock as a blind. Your major problem then will be disposal of the soil brought up, but this need be no worry if you make a practice of carrying a dozen basket-fuls each evening after dusk to some remote district of your town and flinging the contents over garden walls

and railings, thus proving an anonymous benefactor to your townsfolk by providing them with quantities of top-soil gratis.

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Q. It was an understood thing when we moved into this flat that we were to have full use of the Bunskip Operatics' stage properties in return for storing same, so for two years we have been very comfortable in a nice three-piece lounge setting from *No, No, Nanette*, but yesterday, by the secretary's orders, a van arrived and collected practically everything. As we have no sitting-room furniture of our own I'm sure I shall feel awful next week when my oldest girl's near-fiancé comes visiting us and we have to entertain him in either the attic scene from *La Bohème* or the condemned cell out of *Il Trovatore*.

(Mrs.) CONNIE PEPLOW.

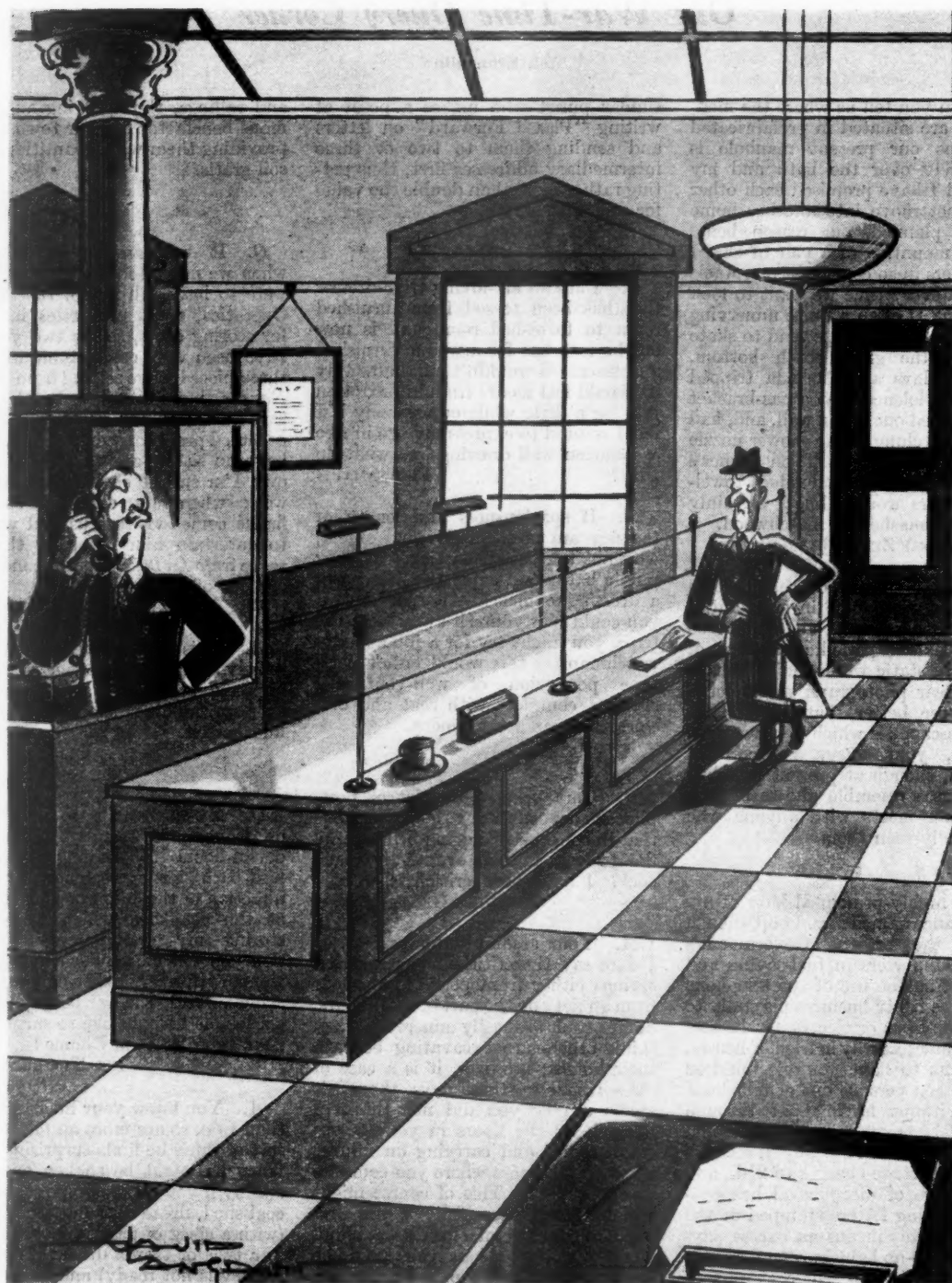
A. It is just a question of poise. A lady can always manage to give the impression that she is at home in whatever surroundings she may happen to find herself.

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Q. My husband is so funny when on leave. He spends simply hours out-of-doors just leaning against the bird-bath gazing sometimes in the direction of the onion beds, sometimes at the coal-shed which we use for storing my grandparents' tandem. Can you tell me how a single-handed woman (former ballet-dancer) could achieve real spring beauty in the garden, as I would like to surprise him next time he comes home?

"NINA TUMBELOVA."

A. You know your husband better than I do, so are more *au fait* with the sort of thing he finds surprising, but I fancy he might be shaken out of his apathy if you came popping out of the coal-shed, dressed as Botticelli's *Flora* (with a sprig of parsley in the mouth; or a twig or two of dried thyme if the parsley is not ready) and performed a number of rapid arabesques up and down the onion rows. Or what about that rather lovely *pas de deux* from *Sylphides*? You could use the bird-bath as dummy partner.



"Says his account is with your branch and wants to borrow a fiver here. Five foot seven and a half, hair greying at temples, blue pin-stripe suit, brown shoes, birthmark left temple, faintly bored air."



British Criminals

(With apologies to "Britain in Pictures")

THE story of British Crime begins with the introduction of the alphabet by the Phoenicians, resulting indirectly in the growth and diffusion of technical knowledge and directly in the development of forgery. Although we cannot but believe that crime in earlier periods reached a high pitch of skill and diversity, there is



A Coiner in his Den

no archaeological evidence of the forms which it took, since Spurrier's attempt to claim all extant stone and bronze tools as jemmies has not found general acceptance among scholars. The Roman Conquest brought Britain into close touch with Continental developments: Mucius Murellius led the way in Criminal Libel, though by later standards his work was careless and open to serious criticism in detail, while the prefect Rubanus imported a Syrian apparatus for garrotting and P. Emilius Vasto, bringing years of experience in foreign cemeteries, snatched bodies with a smoothness and rapidity that have seldom, if ever, been surpassed.

The Dark Ages which followed the Roman withdrawal add few characters to our pageant, the distinction between criminal and other acts being somewhat blurred and the incentive to excel being correspondingly lacking. A notable exception to the general level of mediocrity was the Lady Elfwig of Chiswick (late Saxon), whose beautifully designed skeleton keys are to be found in many collections; she also wrote a rhymed manual of Simony, now lost.

During the Middle Ages British Crime, though vital and abundant, was crude compared with the work of Italian and French criminals, and in this short survey of a wide field can be only cursorily dealt with. Among

the Primitives of special interest are John the Weaver (11th cent. *passim*), Hugh of Westminster (temp. Hen. III) and Mordred the Werewolf (1343-1508). With the Renaissance, Continental methods were introduced, fertilizing and refining the vigorous native tradition. Antonio Spaldini, a native of Venice, popularized the use of time-fuses in arson. A pupil of Spaldini, Nicholas Dummett, reduced the number of cards used in Spot the Lady from eighteen to three. By the reign of Elizabeth British criminals were no whit inferior to those of other lands and the London fences, among whom Sir Thomas Poston was pre-eminent, rivalled those of Amsterdam and Bremen.

In the seventeenth century Obadiah Jones gained an unrivalled mastery of barratry in all its forms, a crime of increasing importance with the development of British maritime supremacy. The foundation of the Royal Society and the consequent impetus to the study of pure and applied science were reflected in an increasing attention to the theory as well as the practice of crime. John Hoggling (1600-1633) wrote "A Short Way with Portals" under the pseudonym Pythagoras Junior. Samuel, fourth Baron Brangham, is the reputed discoverer of Ringing the Changes, though there are other claimants, and a reference in Pliny may refer to it. By the early eighteenth century English highwaymen were the bane and boast of



Portrait of Scottish Child Stealer

travellers, many gaining a European reputation; but we must not overlook the fact that the performance of Englishmen in other branches of crime, if less celebrated, was no less outstanding. Saul Halliburton (1700 *seq.*) first introduced the method of cutting glass from windows by the use of brown paper spread with treacle. The attempts

by Sarah Pringle to popularize the use of other preserves were a failure.

A marked feature of this time was the transition from the domestic to the factory system in industry, and the diary of Septimus Thwaite, D.D., gives a vivid picture of life in a Thieves' Kitchen. "The apartment," he says, "was 32 ft. 3 ins. in length and 18 ft. in width. The height was 9 ft. 3 ins., somewhat greater than that in any similar establishment I had visited. The number of persons varied between thirty-one and twenty-four." By the early nineteenth century the inventive genius of the English people was in full flood. Dr. Habbakuk Crole (?-?) devised an ingenious method of introducing antimony into peaches, but it never gained wide popularity owing to the expense of the apparatus required. The sisters Euphemia and Lavinia Possett (Flor. circ. 1810) originated the modern form of Confidence Trick, substituting a wallet for the previously used valise. Hector Vaughan, known as The Modern Autolycus, was the first pickpocket to wear gloves

favourites never lost their lead, many of the more enterprising criminals preferred to try fresh paths. Continued experiment and refusal to be satisfied with outworn methods characterized British crime, reflecting in this the optimism and energy which marked all sections of society under the influence of a rapidly expanding export trade and the triumph in economic doctrine of the Manchester School. There is, unfortunately, space to mention only



Garotters Carousing

for professional purposes. He is buried at Stoke-on-Trent. Old Tom of Sarum trained retrievers to enter houses by the upper windows and abstract articles of value, but his secret died with him. With the development of the Industrial Revolution sheep-stealing became almost confined to remote and mountainous areas; owing, however, to the growth of tourist traffic stimulated by the Romantic Movement (Lyrical Ballads, 1798) the risk of interruption acted as a serious deterrent.

The increased complexity of commercial operations after the Napoleonic Wars led many English criminals to turn their attention to embezzlement, which, for a time, almost eclipsed Robbery from the Person in popularity, although the Twickenham Lily led a short-lived vogue for assault by boomerang, influenced by fashionable interest in the recently-discovered Australasia. The consolidation and amendment of the Criminal Law in Victorian times, due largely to the inspiration of Jeremy Bentham (1748-1832) made new crimes available, and although the old



A Female Poisoner at her Toilet

one of the Victorian giants, "Professor" Hatch (1838-1891), whose enormous range stretched from Cat-stealing to Fraudulent Conversion.

With the development of new techniques, division of labour increasingly replaced the versatility of the older type of craftsman. Symptomatic of the specialization of the twentieth century is "Gentleman" Willoughby (1885-1933), who strictly confined himself to kidnapping twins. The developments in physical science, which are perhaps the most striking feature of the last fifty years, did not go unmarked by British criminals, no account of whom would be complete without a reference to Walter and William



Birthplace of the Inventor of the Jemmy

Vincent, who, in the face of appalling difficulties, devoted their lives to the application of the Theory of Relativity to crime, though their early demise prevented the completion of their researches. Of the future it is too early to speak, but we may be assured that, whatever the vicissitudes through which we pass, British criminals will equal and perhaps surpass the achievements of their predecessors,

If England to itself do rest but true—Shaks.

Fly Fishing

SOMETHING must be done about fishing. I accept (unlike all foreigners) that the actual catching of the fish must be made as difficult as possible. No mad Englishman would wish anything else. I am not so barbarous as to suggest that someone should invent a gut so fine as to be invisible and yet so strong as to be unbreakable. Nor do I suggest that anyone should tamper with those irritating bushes and overhanging trees which serve only to act as a magnet to my fly. I accept that they have a very real justification. They prevent me, a novice, from reaching those pools favoured by the bigger trout—trout which should justly be reserved for my host, an expert. Not that I catch even the lesser trout, but I might conceivably do so from time to time if I were not so busy disentangling my cast from the bushes. And that would never do. I cause enough distress to my host as it is, by *frightening* so many of them.

No, I am not suggesting anything so sacrilegious as to make fishing easier. I don't ask for marled pitches or laws against bodyline or such pandering to modern degeneracy, but I do think that fishing might be stripped of some of its unnecessary attendant discomforts. I have attempted to catch fish both on Hampshire chalk streams and on Scottish lochs, the latter most appropriately being called wet-fly fishing.

The former is infinitely preferable, because you can always leave off when you want to, and walk about or sit down and gaze at the water and do

nothing, quite independently of your host. In fact so long as you keep out of his way you can't go far wrong. Why then can this sort of fishing only be done on those streams where, and at that season and time of day when, the midges are in the ascendant? No direct counter-attacks, no evasive action, no smoke-screens, no chemical warfare can stem their infiltration tactics. Could not these midges be made a subject of research for our Backroom Boys after the war? They should easily be able to invent a really effective midge-repellant, or alternatively, a method of stocking, with lively rising trout, streams that are not midgebound.

Wet-fly fishing is a very different process. It is true that you sometimes get a serene sunny cloudless morning without a breath of breeze or a ripple on the water. It is good to be alive; you feel well and contented; the hills are blue and God's in His heaven. Unfortunately the fish are not in the loch. Not on that sort of morning. Or if they are, they are too deep down, beyond even the depth to which I unskilfully allow my dropper to sink. Even if some young foolish fish were to be playing about near the boat, he would be able to follow my every movement and chuckle at my tangles.

The more usual sort of day is grey and rainy, with a wind that cuts through you as soon as you get out on to the loch. On such a day even a novice may sometimes catch a fish; but at what a cost! Your host is probably fairly well waterproofed, but

you are soaked through and through, boots, breeches and all, long before you are embarked, and given the sodden seat at the thick end of the boat, and the privilege of casting over your right shoulder on the first drift.

After your host has caught a nice-sized fish he will insist on your changing places with him to change your luck, but strangely the fish will move round with him. As the morning wears on your patience wears out. Your casting becomes more and more like the short and desperate lunges of an infuriated bull. You flick your flies off in a manner which suggests that no knot on earth would hold them. You catch your hat, your host's shoulder, even the boat; and then, as a final insult, when you are not casting at all, but have idly let your flies rest on the water while you rearrange your aching limbs, your dropper is taken by a sizeable trout. The line is of course slack and the fish is no sooner on than off.

By now you are shivering and miserable and can bear the cold wetness of your seat no longer. Yet your host breathes no word of the lunch bag which is nestling in a dry cosy little shelter on the bank. Not even the whisky flask is in the boat. On and on your host casts untiringly, rhythmically, gracefully, maddeningly—lovely long straight casts, whatever the gustiness of the wind. Will you ever be warm again? How will you ever last till lunch-time, let alone all through the afternoon?

Can't fishing be dissociated from this agony? If not, there is only one thing for it, as far as I am concerned—the Thames on a sunny afternoon, a camp stool and a stout bamboo rod.

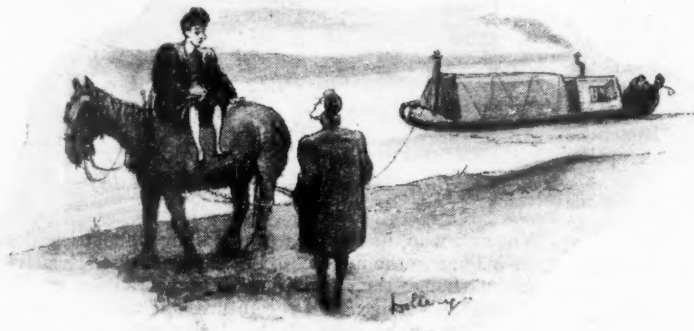
"We have gentles in a horn,
We have paste and worms too."

It may not be very high-class fishing, but

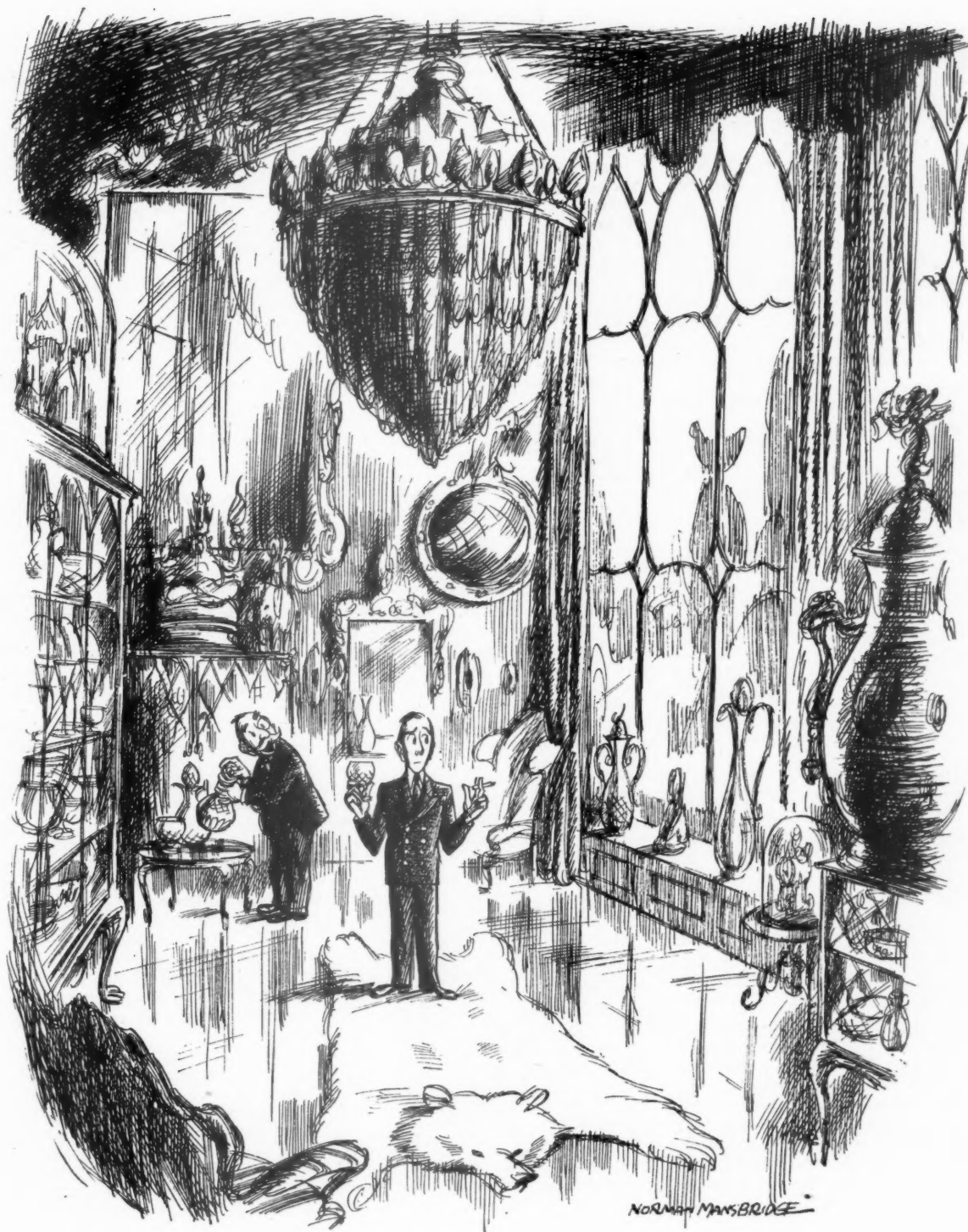
"If the sun's excessive heat
Makes our bodies swelter
To an osier hedge we get
For a friendly shelter . . .

Or we sometimes pass an hour
Under a green willow,
That defends us from a shower,
Making earth our pillow."

Then, and then only, with Chalkhill and Walton I shall fall "more and more in love with angling."



"My dear, we had to take the job to get the house."



"... Now you SHOULD have been here during the flying bombs ..."

Concord

"AND then," says C.P.O. Tel. Crabbe, "when I reproves him he swung at me."

"Swung at you?"

"Yes. If the Buffer hadn't of caught him he'd of struck me."

I look at C.P.O. Tel. Crabbe and find it in my heart to regret the Buffer's promptitude. I reflect that possibly what C.P.O. Tel. Crabbe needs is a clip on the jaw. I cluck my teeth with sympathy but realize that this is not enough. C.P.O. Tel. Crabbe wants action. I am, however, saved from this by the arrival of Major Podworthy.

"Very pleased to see you, Major," I say with truth.

"It won't be a frightful nuisance to show me round?"

"Not at all," I say. "Excuse me, Chief."

I then begin, waving my hand. "This is the Wireless Office."

"Ah, yes."

Major Podworthy bends so low over the nearest set that his moustache almost touches it. I begin to feel disturbed. Is Major Podworthy going to be one of those technical chaps? Is he not going to be satisfied with the *tout ensemble*?

"Nice little set," he says.

"Oh, yes."

"And what's *this* exactly?"

He is, then. Technically interested. I peer forward and he is pointing at a knob marked L.F. Gain.

"That," I say, "is the L.F. Gain."

I turn to find that C.P.O. Tel. Crabbe has followed us. He is standing behind me with an expressionless face, yet he is stating, so clearly, that anyone who comes into the Wireless Office is his responsibility.

"This is C.P.O. Tel. Crabbe," I say.

Major Podworthy looks round and smiles vaguely.

"What does it do?" he asks.

"The L.F. Gain?"

"Yes?"

Will C.P.O. Tel. Crabbe spring into the breach? Will he help me out? Does he intend the Major to find me ignorant? He will not: he does. He remains there, mute. Out of the corner of my eye I see Leading Tel. Mopp with a screwdriver in his hand.

"Oh, Mopp," I say, "would you mind running over the set for this officer?"

"Certainly, sir."

Mopp, I know, will be technical. Harmonics, voltage stabilizers, band-spread superhets. Mopp knows them

all. I see the light in his eye: I see him lifting the lid of the set.

"The L.F. Gain," I hear him say, "limits the triode section of the valve . . ."

"Ah, yes."

"—controlling thus the local oscillation on C.W."

"Indeed?" says Major Podworthy. "Indeed?"

I breathe again and withdraw, taking C.P.O. Tel. Crabbe with me.

"Now," I say.

"What it boils down to is this," says C.P.O. Tel. Crabbe. "Is the Chief Yeoman right or wrong in playing the harmonica after pipe-down? That's the point. And if he's wrong I want an apology."

"For swinging at you?"

"Yes," says C.P.O. Tel. Crabbe.

I say I will look into the matter. Leading Tel. Mopp is now very busy inside the lid and Major Podworthy's face is inside the lid too.

"Neat," I hear him say. "Dashed neat!"

The Chief Yeoman is on the bridge. His eye is rather bloodshot this morning, but then it often is. I allow him to finish the morning exercise with the flagship when, having been the first to hoist the date of accession of King George VI, a pierced flag and the name of Nelson's Signal Bosun, he comes over rubbing his hands. He is a small ginger-haired man of fifty: he is jaunty and wears gym shoes.

"Well, Chief," I say, "how goes it?"

"Lovely, sir. Beat the lot this morning. . . . Moore, don't you know the 'ead from the tack, boy? . . . Yes, sir, I think we showed 'em."

I pick my words carefully and begin.

"I've just been talking to Crabbe," I say.

"Oh, yes, sir?"

The Chief Yeoman stares at the sky and removes a very short cigarette with two fingers.

"He tells me there was a bit of trouble last night."

"Just a bit of a shine, sir." He adds generously: "I don't 'old it against 'im though."

"Oh, Chiefie," says Leading Signalman Frost, coming up with a signal pad, "can you settle this small point at issue? I maintain that, in this situation, when the fleet has turned 180 degrees, the guide of the fleet remains the same."

The Chief Yeoman's eyes narrow.

"It what?"

"The guide remains the same. Definitely."

"Yus?"

Even Leading Signalman Frost's immaculate voice falters.

"After the tura," he whispers.

"Cor!"

The Chief Yeoman clutches his red hair. "Cor," he says. "I ask you! How long you bin in the Navy?" he says.

"But, surely . . . I mean, it stands to reason, Chiefie."

The Chief Yeoman whips out a pencil from behind his ear. In the twinkling of an eye he has drawn a number of sardines on the signal pad, decorated one with a flag, moved back some stained cups of tea, and thumped down the Fleet Signal Book on top of it.

"Section 9," he says. "Read it. That's all. Just read it."

To save Leading Signalman Frost the trouble he then recites the article in full and asks why them halyards are slack. He does not of course like Leading Signalman Frost. Frost is writing a novel about his soul-journey and has some severe things about the Chief Yeoman in it.

"The trouble is, sir," he says, giving me his attention again, "that me and Chief won't ever agree about anything in a million years."

"He seems to think you should apologize."

"Me? Apologize?" The Chief Yeoman is triumphant. "There you are, sir! That proves it, don't it?"

I retire from the bridge and reflect that perhaps I will not go back to the Wireless Office. I decide that it will be better to talk to Crabbe to-morrow. In a few moments, however, there is a knock at the cabin door and C.P.O. Tel. Crabbe is standing there.

"Well, sir?" he says.

"I have seen the Chief Yeoman," I say carefully, "and, quite frankly, I consider you have exaggerated the issue."

"He swung at me," says Crabbe. "You can't get away from it. He swung at me."

I begin a few words on give-and-take, then switch to the forthcoming exercise. Crabbe says, Is there an exercise? He didn't know. The trouble is, he is kept in the dark. He isn't informed. He gets no information; that's how it's always been.

That evening the exercise orders arrive and, as usual, are obscure. This is a pity, because if I interpret them one

way, C.P.O. Tel. Crabbe always takes the opposite view.

"No, no, sir," he says. "This is what they mean . . . it stands to reason."

All is at peace when I arrive in the Coding Office. The Chief Yeoman is sitting on a box reading *Love the Dreamer*, three coders are writing airgraphs, Leading Signalman Frost is continuing his soul-journey and C.P.O. Tel. Crabbe is puffing at his pipe.

"Here are the orders, Chief," I say brightly.

He takes them and turns the pages, patronizing them. Occasionally he laughs at them and shakes his head.

"That's all very well," he begins, "but how can I set watch on all these frequencies? I haven't the ratings."

More is about to follow when Coder Sime looks up and says: "Hey, Proff, what's a mangel?"

Leading Coder Moppe-West, who is a chess blue, does not look up. He prides himself on getting two thousand words on an airgraph.

"A beet," he says.

"Can you eat it?"

"Mangel is yellow," says Leading Signalman Frost, looking round from the soul-journey. "You don't eat mangel. You feed mangel to the swine."

Sime considers this. I have the impression that he would like to ask C.P.O. Tel. Crabbe to have a mangel, but has not the courage. Crabbe has been diverted from the exercise orders. He is listening: aloof and god-like, but listening.

"I'll bet the Russians could eat it," says Sime.

"It is possible," says Moppe-West gravely, "for the human organism to digest snails, cats, nettles, snakes and dandelions."

"I'll say," says Sime. "Look at our dinner to-night."

"In any case," says Frost. "What have the Russians to do with it?"

The Chief Yeoman shuts *Love the Dreamer*.

"The Russians helped us win, din they?" he demands.

"Yes, but . . ."

"Din they?" says the Chief Yeoman.

"My own impression," says Frost, "is that they have been definitely overrated."

"Listen," says the Chief Yeoman. "Listen to that! Suppose you was at Stalingrad, my lad?"

"I wasn't," says Frost.

"Well, let me tell you, Russia's all right. Russia's a very nice place. That vodka. That's a drop of very nice stuff, that is."

"Drink!" says Frost.

"What's wrong with drink?"

The Merchant Navy Men

THEY know no ease, the Merchant Navy men, Not home, with the good day done,

But the high gale and the steep sea,

The searing of cold and of sun; Voyage end, and voyage begun.

They may not rest; they wait in the dusk, the dawn,

The flash and the tearing of steel, The ice-wrap of the cold wave, The cinders of thirst in the throat And madness that sits in the boat.

They know no help, they see these things alone;

No uniform, linking in pride, Nor the hard hand and the straight brace

Of discipline holding upright, But their own soul in the night.

They claim no gain, the Merchant Navy men;

A wage, and the lot of the sea, The job done, and their fair name, And peace at the end of their way. They give; must we not repay?

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Hollowood

"Gosh, won't it be wonderful to get back into the inter-war years again!"

Frost adds a full stop to the soul-journey.

"I have never touched alcohol in my life," he says.

"Cor!" says the Chief Yeoman. "Not a drop in his life. No wonder," he says. "Look at 'im. You'll be saying they ought to be stopping our tot next."

This is the gauntlet thrown down. Leading Signalman Frost rises with dignity and extracts a signal that has been hanging in the container for twenty minutes.

"The Navy would be very much better without it," he says.

There is silence: the very air vibrates.

"Stop our tot?" says C.P.O. Tel. Crabbe.

"No up-spirits?" says the Chief Yeoman.

"Having a milk bar like the Yanks?" says C.P.O. Tel. Crabbe.

"That's right, Chief. And ice-cream and all," says the Chief Yeoman.

Leading Signalman Frost is shaken but firm.

"Yes," he says.

"Strike a light!" says the Chief Yeoman. "Listen to that, Chief."

"I heard," says C.P.O. Tel. Crabbe grimly. "Now listen here, Frost, how long you bin in the Navy?"

"Two years."

"And he wants to take our tot away."

"Remember when we was boys at Pompey, Chiefie? Din hear talk like that then, eh?"

"We didn't."

"Them was the days, eh?"

"Now listen here, Frost," begins C.P.O. Tel. Crabbe, "if you think as how you're going to take our tot away, you've dam well got to give us a reason."

"Yes," says the Chief Yeoman. "Give a reason."

But at this point I take the exercise orders and gently steal away. After all, someone must go to the wall. And why not Frost? I begin to feel what a frightful thing it would be if C.P.O. Tel. Crabbe and the Chief Yeoman agreed more often.

"Cor!" I say.

And I go below and sign for a nice strong tot.

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So What?

"Cranbrook School athletics master points out that the school has been beaten since 1938."—*Sunday paper*.

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"EVENING SHOES, size 6 . . . £1 pair; not very comfortable."—*Advt. in "Times."*

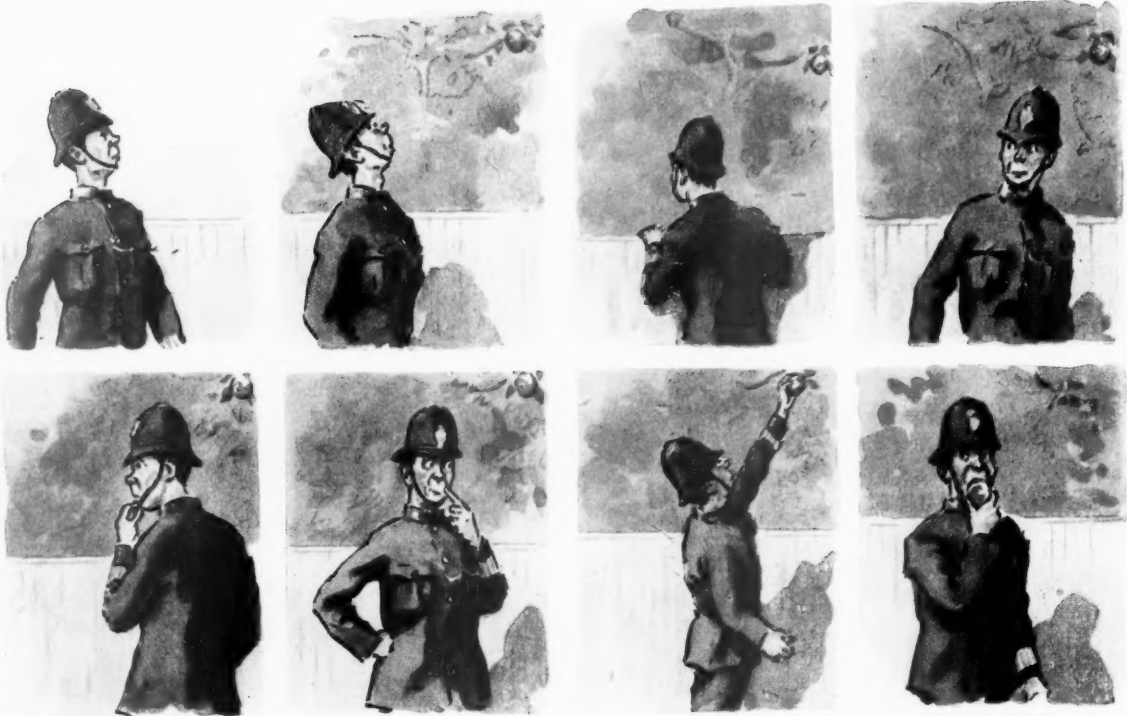
No use—you can't stop *somebody* from making an offer.

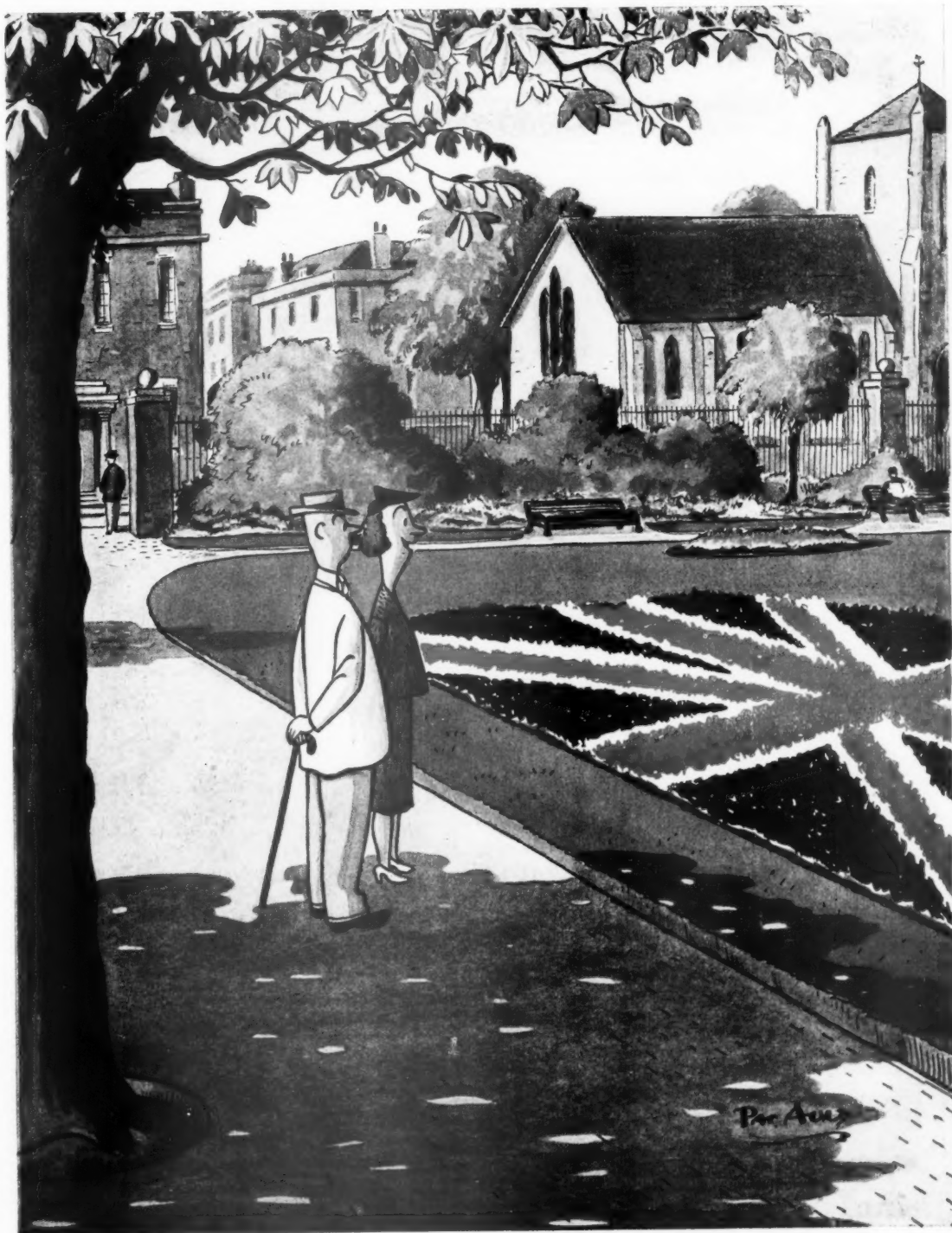


"Ob, yes, down here we're ALWAYS ready to embrace a new idea."

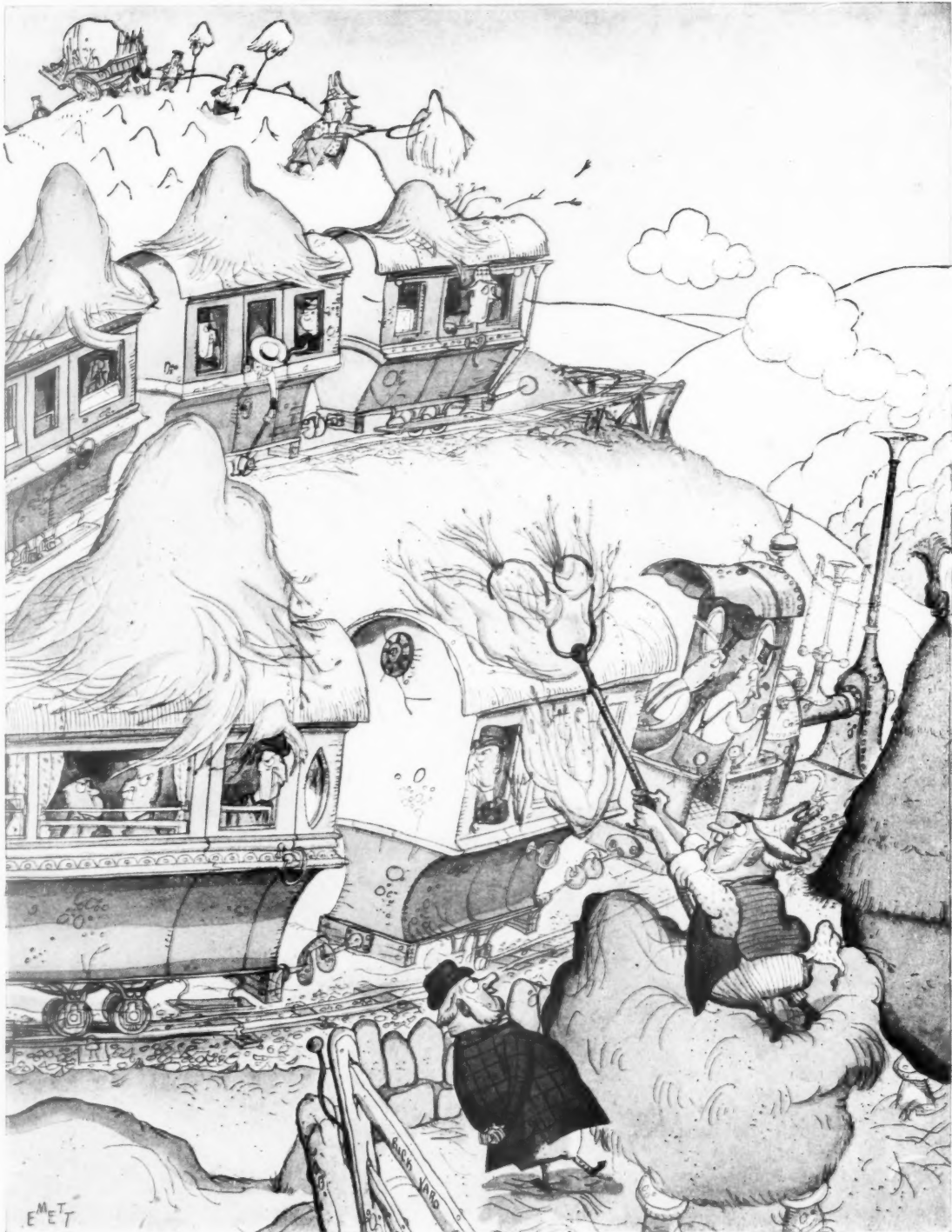


"Lower Midthorpe? Over the hedge, turn left by the site for the new college, follow what will be the new motor road, and it's half-way along the second suggested boulevard on the left in the proposed new satellite."





"Fancy them happening to grow like that!"



"Aye, the Afternoon Slow is ALWAYS an 'elp with Top Meadow."



Toller Applies

To Captain Fettle, Becher's Farm,
Bridle-Ho

SIR,—My experience of hunting, the importance of which I had not realized in answering your advertisement for a post-war pupil farmer, is chiefly confined to harrier work, except for one period with the regiment in England when we were commanded by a cavalry colonel, I in this way learning the correct method of wearing breeches and riding-boots and even how to tie a stock as well as amassing a store of hunting anecdotes; the regiment then by coincidence moving near a well-known pack when hunting officers were granted a free day to attend by the colonel, who stood proudly on the hotel steps to see us go, my own mount for some reason entering a shop in the main street and attempting to eat a roll of cloth, subsequently taking me home to its stable so that I missed the actual excitement of the chase.

Although not long in duration, my experience of beagle work includes an afternoon as whipper-in, I being invited to take over this duty my first day out with the pack on the recommendation of a friend who kindly lent me a stock, some white breeches and a velvet skull cap and introduced me as a keen huntsman, a position I was eager to maintain in the eyes of a typist named Sugar Dipsworth, so that I immediately cracked my whip at a small hound wasting time in making friends with a sheep, letting out a hunting cry and calling "Come on, you silly dog"—unfortunately flicking Sugar on the ankle and in addition being taken aside by this typist who revealed that the hound in question was named Pansy and was in reality a bitch puppy on her second time out and thus could not be expected to be up to my hunting standards; further words being cut short as the hunt was on.

Almost immediately I was singled out for the honour of running to the summit of a neighbouring hill, the exact purpose of which I unfortunately in the heat of the chase failed to inquire, but deciding it was to observe if any hares should be hiding the far side and with this idea descending the reverse slope kicking tufts of grass and occasionally saying "Yoicks" so that my back was towards the ridge and I omitted to observe till the last moment a hare sneaking away from the hunt

in my direction; I attempting to atone with a rugby tackle at the creature and chasing it for some time, fortunately still being in full cry as the hunt came over the ridge and I was able to hand over with the knowledge that Sugar Dipsworth had seen me in no mean light, this girl being dressed in plum-coloured corduroys and being apparently overcome at my prowess since she avoided my eye and fled past like Atalanta with the object of showing off her figure.

There was, however, no opportunity for rest as the hare had entered a plantation of small firs and all hands were required to assist operations, hounds becoming confused with rabbit trails and the hare popping out on to rides and back again and whippers-in being consequently on their mettle although at this time I was myself handicapped at a crucial moment by the thong of my whip wrapping round a tree during what I had intended to be an impressive crack in the sight of Miss Dipsworth, so that the hare apparently sneaked behind my back, a small boy giving the "View Hullo" and the Master asking me where it had gone and the small boy saying it had gone between my legs, thus lowering my reputation which I endeavoured to raise by myself giving the "View Hullo" and dashing forward and cracking my whip and pretending it had gone down a near-by hole and escaped; the confusion being meanwhile increased by the blowing of a hunting horn, shouts from the far side of the wood on the subject of an entirely new hare and the continued pursuit of rabbits by the pack, with the exception of a whitish hound, which I noticed for the first time, attempting to climb a tree after a squirrel; this hound subsequently becoming my friend, I later learning he was in a low category of intelligence and quite unable to distinguish between trails, on one occasion following a trail with yelps of enthusiasm till it led back to his point of departure and turned out to be just made by himself.

During subsequent efforts to dislodge hounds from the wood, I came to a glade where the spring turf was struck with sunlight and the delicate green spikes of the firs appeared in sudden sharp beauty so that I composed on the spot a hunting ode commencing:

"In this spot of verdant green
Hare nor huntsman are not seen,

Firs and cowslips silent grow
And do not hear the 'View Hullo',"

the idea of this ode being a tribute to Sugar Dipsworth who was personified in the mention of

"Atalanta, ardent maid,
Of thorns and brambles no'er
afraid,"

but unfortunately could not be presented at the time, as by the conclusion of the ode the hunt had left the wood and I was unable to find them, while she appeared subsequently awed by my performance on that afternoon and shrank into the protection of a salesman called Mr. Fenshaw, with whom she forsook the open air and attended *thé dansants* and skating rinks.

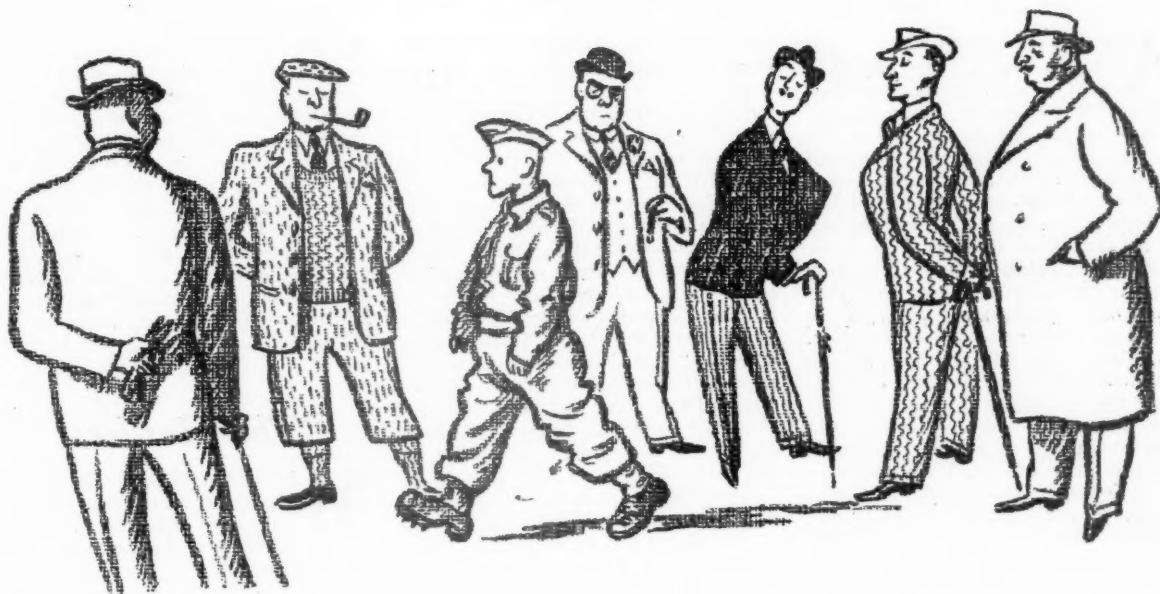
Owing to the return of the whipper-in for whom I had been acting, and the expulsion of my friend from the hunt for some reason productive of extreme mirth on his part, he saying it had been worth it ten times over and having presumably offended etiquette perhaps by coming out in the wrong sort of dress, I only attended casually after this auspicious beginning; when, however, I continued acquaintance with Gangster, the white-coloured hound, who was conscious of being on the Y-list and due for posting yet could be seen, after being lost many fields away, earnestly plodding back to rejoin his unit perhaps carrying a bit of stick he imagined might be useful or yelping information of a curious private sort—I also learnt a number of hunting expressions such as "We must pray for rain" which is a good remark for making to tyros, leading to their expression of surprise and an explanation of scent by the expert; learning also various hunting tricks such as the correct method of vaulting without breaking a watch, a pipe and bending a cigarette case, as occurred during one vault as whipper-in.

I am uncertain whether or not you include as hunting experience days spent roaming with a gun. I have done a certain amount of this as part of my Army duty, most recently in the Reichwald Forest when I have been reminded on occasion of woods in England at this time of year, which I would in exchange gladly visit as member of the most dashing hunt I might be required to join in my capacity of pupil farmer at Becher's.

Yours faithfully,

B.L.A.

J. TOLLER, Lt.



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British Industries at War

Plastics

(Mr. Punch's Special Reporter continues his tour of Industrial Britain at the Baekeland Hotel, Thurso.)

ANY one of our workers would rather lose a day's pay than hear a word of abuse levelled against the trade of Fellmongery." These words were spoken by a Mr. Samuel Tring, manager of the house of Carside and Pachet, fellmongers, before a Select Committee appointed by George IV to inquire into "The Present State of British Industry." I quote them in support of my contention that tradition is the most important asset of any industry. What do we mean by tradition? It is difficult to say. Tradition is something more than a reputation born of decades of forthright endeavour; something more than the unwritten code of ethics and business practice which is a concomitant of longevity. When tradition is in jeopardy men leap from their chairs in dark continents and rush instinctively to its succour. It recalls men from well-earned retirement. It makes men refuse all substitutes. It is the priceless heritage of industry. Fellmongery has it. So have:

Clay, sand, gravel and chalk pits
Glues, gums and gelatine
Fertilizers, dips and disinfectants
Canal authorities and conservancy boards
Brass and yellow metal goods
Tin boxes, canisters and containers
Saddlery, harness and other leather
Harbours, docks, piers, etc., light-houses and
Other industries and industries not stated.

But plastics has it not. This fact becomes clear to anyone with penetrating vision who visits Thurso. Apart from the Baekeland Hotel, not one tavern in Thurso is named after its second largest industry. In the homes of traditional trades names such as "The Jolly Potters," "The Coopers' Arms" and "The Foresters' Rest" are found at every street-corner. Even Bosworth (Lines.) has its "Slag-notchers' Arms" and its "Puddler and Furnaceman." Yet in Thurso you either stay at the grandiose Baekeland or at some inn with a sign as neutral and irrelevant as the title of a modern novel. There is much to be derived from a study of the nomenclature of hosteleries.

There are no monuments in Thurso to the memory of men who grew old in

the service of plastics, no common shrines, no beds that the captains and founders of plastics slept in. The industry is new, and its newness sits uneasily on the town like a first pair of long trousers. The workers are painfully aware of all this, but they have done little to improve matters.

Come with me to the humble cottage of a Derbyshire snuff-grinder. It is evening. Tom Clowes is finishing his meal. His schoolboy sons sit in an adoring circle at his feet. Mrs. Clowes looks nervously at her husband and speaks: "Tom, lad, there's summat I must tell thee an' tha'll not like it. Young Dennis, our first-born, is sayin' that he's a-not goin' to be no solicitor. He's a mind to follow his father to th' snuff-mill."

Tom Clowes pauses in the act of swallowing and reddens.

"So, it's come to this, eh! Seven generations o' Cloweses have served th' old mill. Isna seven enough, woman? I've set me mind on Denny goin' to solicitor Benson an' I'll have me way."

"But, Tom, lad, tha should think on th' lad's future. He'll fret until he's snuff-grindin', an' tha knows it. I reckon 'tis in his blood."

You see? Tradition. It crops up in practically every social novel. But the plastics workers' wives of Thurso have no deep roots in the district. To the locals they are "foreigners," a synthesis of shameful latin gaiety and shameless Hollywood infidelity. These women, by their lack of interest in formaldehyde and phenol, herald the doom of the matriarchal system in industry. It is all rather depressing.

However, tradition or no tradition, plastics are doing fine work to-day. The same parent material which in peace-time gave us fountain-pen barrels, umbrella handles and those peculiar little studs they used to put into shirts at the laundry is now a vital sinew of war. It has largely replaced timber for most purposes. On account of its freedom from revealing annular rings it is generally preferred for women's wooden legs. Quite apart from services to the nation's armament, plastics are helping to keep up morale. Buttons made of plastics may be had in a variety of colours.

We live in an age of substitute or "ersatz" products—Buna (synthetic rubber), Lanital (synthetic wool), Brideram (synthetic sausage-meat),

Wyre-wool (synthetic razor-blades) and Pypklena (synthetic hair-curlers) will occur readily to most readers. Plastics have long since passed the "ersatz" stage. They will go forward inexorably towards their destiny in spite of the feeble whinings of the decadent demagogue—(sorry!) anti-substitute fanatics.

I hope I shall not be accused of "vista-mongering" when I say that my dream of post-war London includes a new billiards saloon, built entirely of plastics, on the site now occupied by Whitehall.

Hon.

The Hustlers

MAJOR MARVIN P. CHUTE, of Spokane, Wash., was discussing pronunciation with me, and so of course it was not very long before we worked round to such things as Cholmondeley and our extra-ordinary way of saying 'xtordnry.

"Naturally," said Major Chute, "that guy Archie was only kidding in the Duffy broadcast last week when he said you guys borrow our language and then louse it up. But still, you'd be surprised how many of my countrymen adopt that attitude in a serious way. They kind of resent it when an Englishman says 'xtordnry."

"I can understand its being regarded as comical," I said. "In fact I've heard so many American jokes about it I could set myself up as a wit in any part of the States and convince your boys that the British have a sense of humour after all. But why resentment?"

"Listen," said Major Chute, "I only have a forty-eight, not two weeks' leave. It would take too long to explain, and even then I'd be wrong. But mind you, I don't resent it. The language is yours, so make yourself at home. For all I know, this kind of slurred talk that skids round the corners of words like 'xtordnry may be highly efficient and streamlined. I still get your meaning (most of the time) and yet you save syllables, wear and tear, time, and so forth. In that respect, at least, you're hustlers. It's funny the American isn't a hustler when it comes to speech. Which reminds me of your Mr. Chesterton, who made fun of us in a ditty about the way we say we're hustlers and then



go and call a lift an elevator and a flat an apartment and such."

"Yes," I said, "I remember that poem. I don't suppose that sort of thing goes over any too big in the States, does it?"

"How did you guess?" said Major Chute. "I thought it was a secret over here. We like *ex*-porting criticism O.K., but we don't want to *im*-port it. It seems that would be against the Monroe Doctrine or something, but the Immigration people forget to warn visiting authors about it. If you're ever planning a lecture trip in the States yourself I can give you a few tips on sparing our feelings."

"Thanks," I said. "Not that I plan to lecture. But if I did consider it I'd try to remember that you were only human."

"You'd be wrong to say so," said Major Chute. "That's the last thing the *ex*-porters want to hear. They want to feel they're something more than that."

"And that sounds very human too," I said. "Maybe it's only human to feel you're not human."

"Still, you couldn't go to Chicago and tell the Colonel so. You can't tell him he's the same as a guy who says *'xtrodrny*. I shudder to think of the results. He'd start defending Detroit all over again."

"What if I told him that you people have a lot of streamlined words too? As a matter of fact, though you laugh at poor old Cholmondeley, you have far more words like that than we have."

Major Chute signified incredulity by a polite but complicated evolution of his features. "Even if that is so," he said, "we thought of the joke first. A joke's a joke, but a *tu quoque* makes hard feelings. You gotta think up a new joke."

"Yes, but you just told me it was

not entirely a joke. You mentioned resentment."

"That's so," he said. "Let's hear your evidence then, if you wanna try to convince me."

"Well, you just said *wanna* instead of *want to*. What is that if it isn't a Chumly-ism? And you have thousands and thousands of words like that."

"We haven't got Cholmondeley, though. Names are more important than anything else. If a name needs one thing, it is to be distinct. So what do you do? You hand us Marylebone and such, just to mix us up. We wouldn't do that to a name."

"No? How about Irene?"

"I suppose you mean Ireen. Well, what about it?"

"Streamlining there, aren't you? How about Beryl?"

"Do you mean peril?"

"No, Beryl. A girl's name, and a stone."

"Never heard of it. We got a name *Burl*. It wouldn't be that?"

"The same. Spelt B-E-R-Y-L. Check?"

"Check."

"How about Beatrice?"

"Oh, Beetrus, mainly. But . . ."

"How about the town of Psyche, in Oregon, pronounced Pusht, though heaven knows how even the psychic could find a T in it?"

"Yeah, I see your point," said Major Chute. "Skip the rest. Check and double check." He regarded me thoughtfully for a moment. "Say, listen. *All* those names are girls' names."

"Check again."

"Well, we gotta reason for having to say them fast."

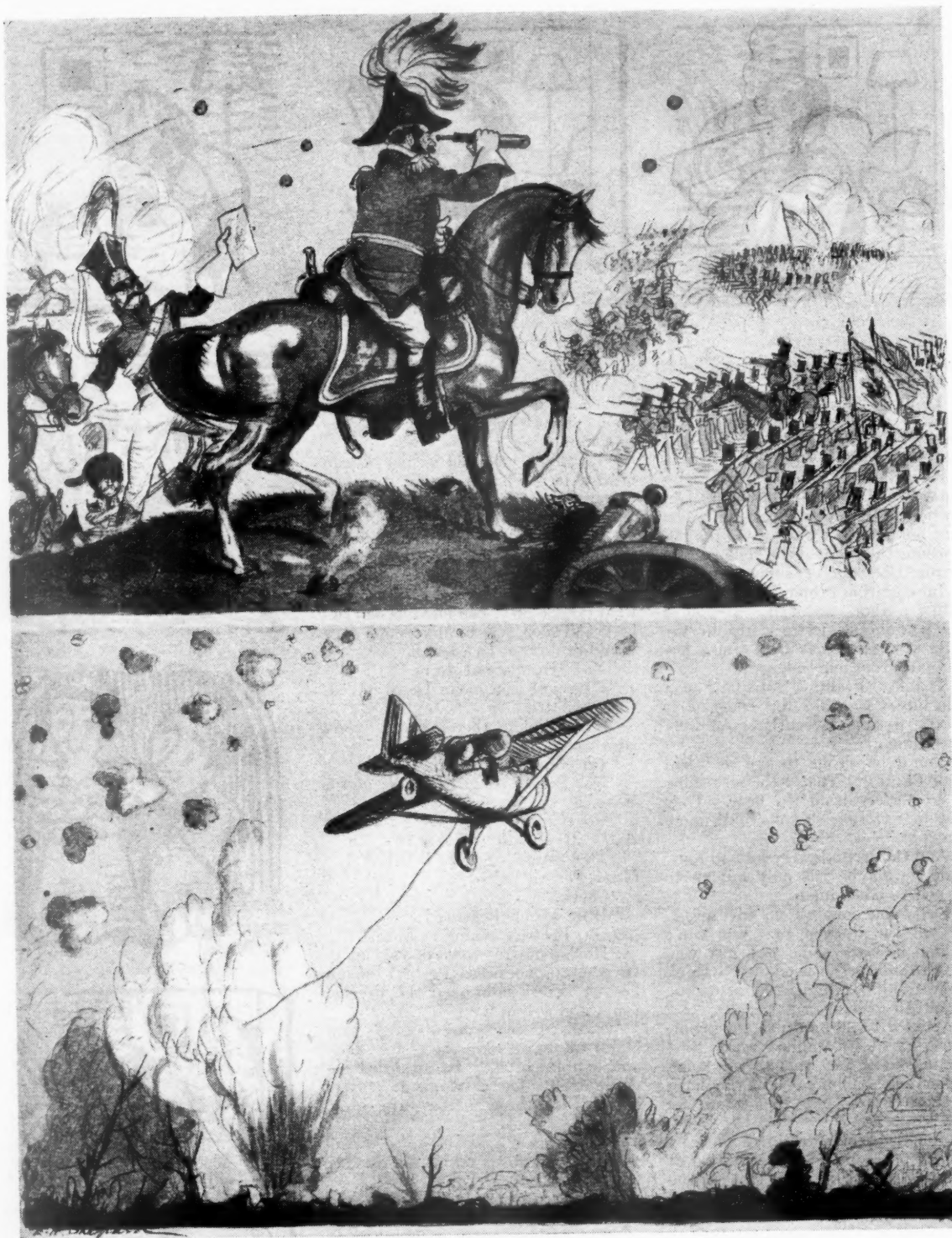
"What reason?"

"Why, our girls are so lively, you gotta stop them quick or they'll have whizzed past."

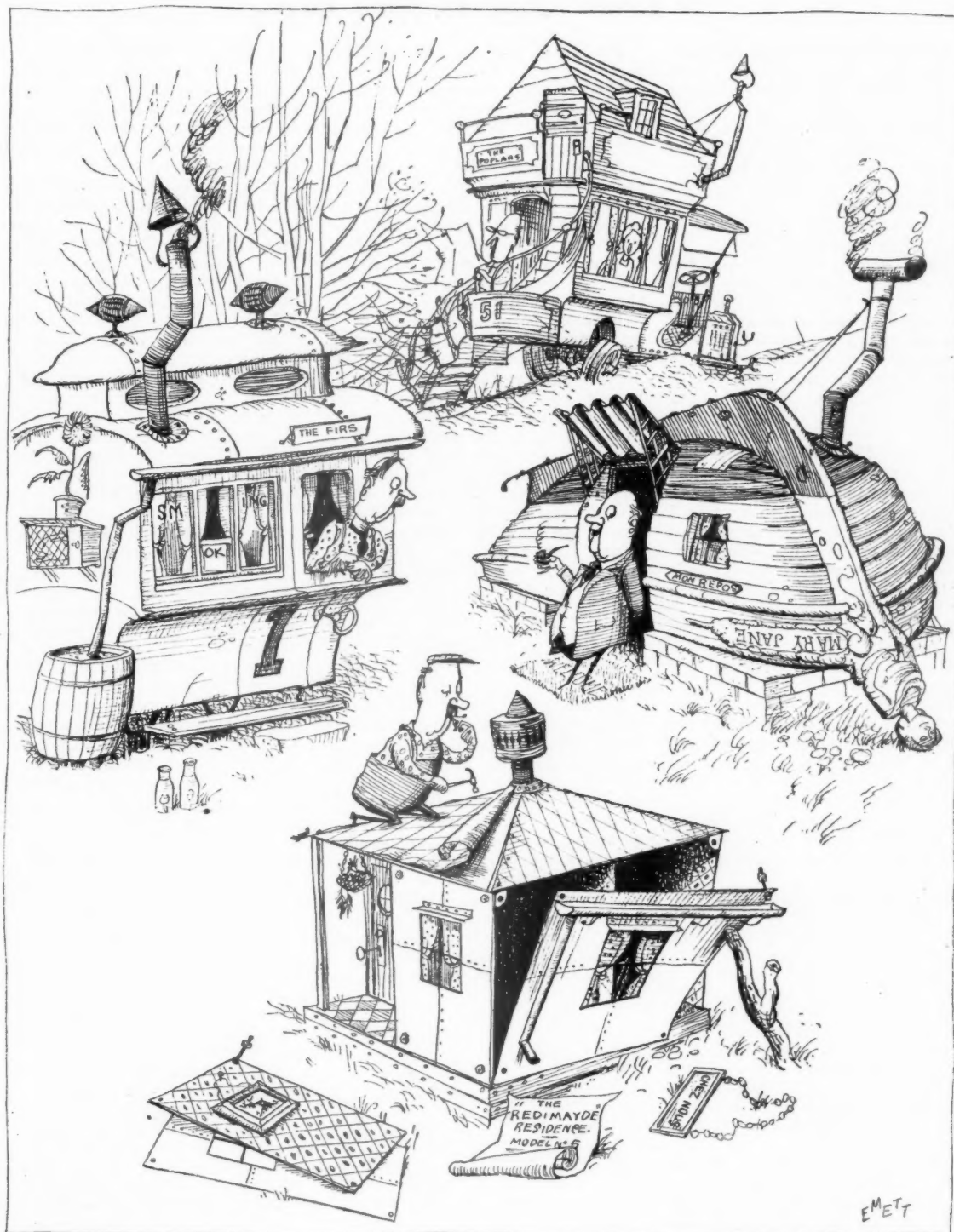
Check again, I suppose.



Memph Wilson.



THE HIGHER COMMAND



"I say—that's awfully nice! I wonder what it WAS?"

It Could Only Happen Here.

I AM reporting in my war substantive rank. And, woe is me, I have to purchase the necessary badges out of my own money.

I pause at the counter.

"Good morning, Major," says the shopman. "What may I have the pleasure of showing you?"

"Six pips, please."

His manner changes.

"Oh! *This way, sir, please.*"

He leads me to the far end of the shop, treading upon the carpet like a butler, till we have reached a spot where in this situation we can speak in confidence. I can tell by the way he looks at me over his glasses that he is not altogether sympathetic. He is satisfied I am guilty, but of what? Where nobody can look over our shoulders we search together through a cardboard box, selecting pips like precious stones. As they are wrapped up and passed to me like a note under the table, I am tempted to say that I am buying them for a friend, but his manner is too unctuous and ecclesiastic. The sooner the painful interview is over the better for both of us. At the door he lets fall this aphorism:

"Some people think that, actually, sir, three stars, if well burnished, make a more spectacular display."

Now, the next problem. Where am I to effect this change of personality? Here I am S.O.S. (Not a cry for help, but Struck off Strength.) Elsewhere I shall be T.O.S. I leave the unit off which I am struck (with as little ceremony as a dandelion-head) in the rank I have held here. I am "taken on" elsewhere like a new domestic, in the rank to which I must revert "on posting."

No use to change *before* I say good-bye. And so the last gins are consumed, the last hands grasped, the last salutes are given, and I creep into the duty car. Perhaps you think I should now draw the blinds and get on with it quick? But the instruction to report "*in my war substantive rank*" suggests, don't you think, that it is something you slip into, for ease and relaxation, after a day's golf, and a bath; something not quite so formal as a bearskin nor as homely as goloshes. A tuxedo, say.

"What are you wearing at the Bartley-Smythes' to-night, old boy?" "Oh, I don't know. I rather thought I might go in my war substantive rank." One day they may cotton on to this and put it at the bottom of the invitation, instead of Morning Dress.

But for me here and now the thing is serious.

How to effect the transformation? Easy enough if the journey were by flying carpet. Mine is by duty car and railway train.

Perhaps you think my batman should have provided me with a change of uniform. Yes, but I do not happen to have two greatcoats. Have you? In the old days I have been known to get into rugger kit in the train. I wonder if I can now get thus into my war substantive rank.

It would be quite diverting to get into conversation with other passengers in the compartment who will pay attention to your views on warfare with respect whilst you wear a crown, then rise like an aristocrat with a date to keep at the guillotine. With haunted eyes you feel your way stumblingly along the corridor. . . . The holes for your three pips were not made in advance. You personally must now gouge them in the cloth. With what? Have you a knife? No, only a folding razor blade. No corkscrew? Nothing for cleaning pipes with? And what, by the way, should be your attitude when you return? Ought you to laugh the situation off, apologize, or sulk? And what will be *their* reactions?

I once knew a man who retired during a railway journey, and came back minus his moustache. Everyone reported him to the guard. The explanation was a simple one. In his regiment everyone had to wear a moustache. His fiancée, whom he was going to see on his leave, disliked it. How many will report me, if I change my rank, especially if I also put on dark glasses? I think I will *make* them report me. If they do not do it the first time I will go out again and come back as a sailor; and if necessary go a third time and put on a fez.



Gay—

"What is England, Mummy?"

Actually, I do not change in the train. I decide to be a field officer a wee bit longer and to brush my hair instead; a pretty girl is my excuse. In fact, as I have crowns *and* pips I am tempted to dress myself up for one hour as lieutenant-colonel.

A car is waiting. I am decanted at the mess. I am ready to have a drink and go to bed, to make formal appearance in the morning. But in the mess I am defeated. The adjutant is in the hall. He notes my badges with embarrassment, draws me into an alcove, as if he is going to suggest some parlour game in which I must participate immediately.

"Have you anything else you can put on . . . a battle-dress, say . . . just for a little while?"

Charades? I can wear my respirator.

"If so," says the adjutant, "dodge upstairs and put it on now. I will lend you some pips, and the batman can . . ."

"I have some pips," I explain. "All I want is the opportunity."

"Run upstairs quickly, then, and fix yourself. Then come right down and meet the colonel *properly*."

This suggests I have already met him in the bath. I haven't.

I creep shamefacedly up darkened stairs. The air is hushed, the light is dim. A batman who wheezes, and keeps looking over his shoulder for the angel of death, stoops like a tailor over my S.D. tunic, working with sore thumbs and split pins against the clock.

At last I am ready. I can start down the old Italian staircase like a diplomat in tails. The adjutant is waiting on tip-toe, and he spies the change with admiration and delight. He only just resists remarking that they suit me better. He takes my elbow, and he reaches for the handle of the door behind which the officers are gathered round the colonel, glasses and eyebrows raised, waiting for my entrance. My chin is thrust out and my fingers for the last time pluck my tie.

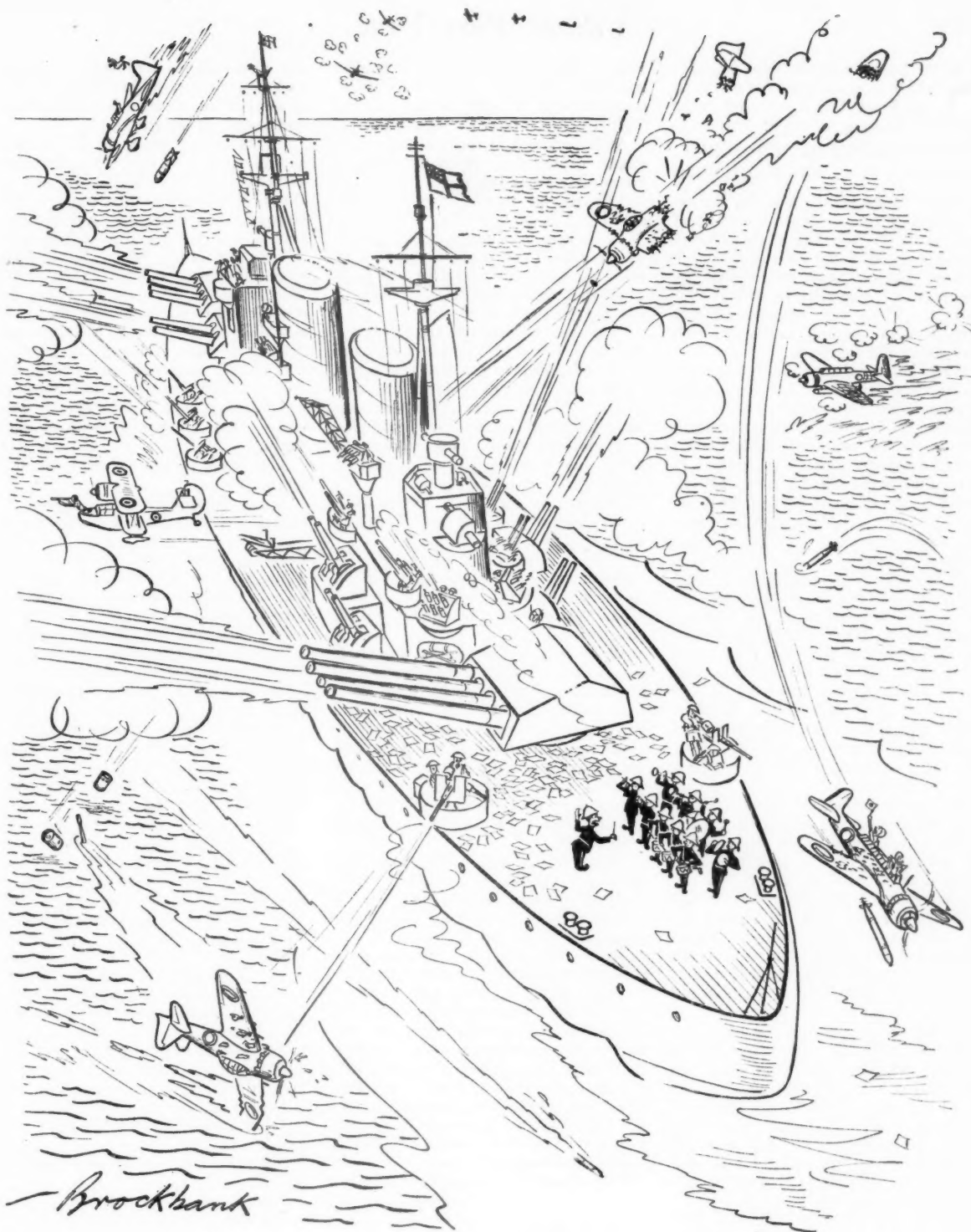
Where would old England be without tradition? And without war substantive rank?

"I'm glad you saw my point," the adjutant whispers, with his hand upon my shoulder, ". . . the old man is a stickler for the letter of the law."

(Yes, and it has cost me 17s. 3d.)

"This, sir," the adjutant announces, "is *Captain Hackshy!*"

"Why," the old man replies, warming by the fire—"good evening, *Major!*"



"Always it's 'Action Stations' bang in the middle of Sunday Divisions!"

Village Part-Time

SOME time ago the local sawmill, which is on the direct route to our Food Office, erected large notices in flaming red type:

WOMEN WANTED FOR BOX-MAKING. FULL OR PART-TIME

This caused a great stir in the various Weyland queues. It was the chief topic at the Welfare Clinic, the Savings Committee, W.V.S., and other nerve centres where those for whom the notice was primarily intended congregated. These were, of course, elderly women and young matrons with children under fourteen.

A few bold spirits, probably evacuees with no home ties, must have responded at once. Those who were swift to take advantage of the fine strategic position offered by the adjacent village green reported that turbaned figures in dungarees were to be seen flitting about in the dimness behind the huge sliding doors. A desultory hammering arose and even the intermittent whine of a saw.

Boxes were being made. There were many conjectures as to their purpose. Some said medical supplies. Others ammunition. Those who claimed to be in the know maintained they were for Unrra. At any rate, it was war work, because the Essential Works Order had been seen posted up in the office by Mrs. Horrocks, who had gone to order a coffin for her Uncle Joe—the sawmill doing undertaking as a sideline.

When school dinners were introduced time began to hang on my hands and I felt that I should pull my weight in the community. All my life I have worked more with my head than my hands, except with the children and round the house. Now, I felt, was the time to remedy this deficiency. Besides, it cannot be denied that the prospect promised fun, which few administrative or clerical posts could supply.

Box-making, however, did not sound especially alluring. Hard and monotonous work, probably. But the family slogan has always been to "try anything once." So one summer morning early my accomplice and myself presented ourselves at the small seventeenth-century cottage adjoining the works which serves Mr. Horace Whittle as an office.

Behind the counter presided Miss Annie Whittle, Horace's spinster sister. It was the first time I had confronted her as a prospective employee. We

both, I fear, felt it somewhat. Highly conscious of my lack of suitable qualifications I said rather feebly "We've come about the box-making."

Annie, trained in the hard school of village diplomacy, wiped the look of incredulity from her face.

"Have you now?" she answered amiably.

As there seemed to be a lull I added, as though, I must confess, I were selecting some stockings in the days when that was a possibility, "May we see just what the work is, please?"

"Oo aye. I'll just tell Horace first." She disappeared into an inner sanctum from which clearly emerged the words, "I'll not. Tell 'em to look for themselves. Ah've more to do than act nursemaid to a couple of womenfowk."

Annie, somewhat pink about the gills, but carrying it off well, re-emerged.

"Horace is very sorry as he can't coom along o' you just now. Can you find your own way like?"

"Oh, yes, we can, easily."

We emerged into sunlight once more, to cross the narrow cobbled way that separated us from the modern up-to-date sawmill.

We picked our way across the yard, encouraged by cries from a lorry-load of Italian prisoners, who had come from a farm for sawdust. A merciful Providence prevented us from understanding them clearly. At the far end we saw a couple of modern Atlantas feeding tree trunks into what the accomplice asserted was a band-saw.

"My God," we said to each other respectfully.

At the far end was a lofty workshop in which various gadgets, all totally unfamiliar to us, were assembled. A few women were banging away with hammers of a size never previously observed, which made our poor little domestic tools look like toys.

From under our very feet, as if we had started a partridge, sprang a little troglodyte, covered in sawdust. He saw us jump and grinned amiably.

"Fair made you jump," he observed. "Didn't see that i' floor, I reckon. Must get used t' suchlike if you're starting. That's furnace down theer. Couldn't do much wi'out it, and it burns sawdust too."

"Are you the foreman?" inquired

my accomplice, and that produced such a paroxysm of chuckles that most of the sawdust flew off in all directions and made us sneeze.

"You'll be wanting Seth," he told us at last. "I'm only Septimus Whittle, y'know. Nay, I'm not on Board o' Directors—just a joiner like. Horace's dad and mine were brothers and he's a reet good 'un for keeping jobs in the family like. You'll have seen Annie in th' office?" We nodded. "Ee, she is a pill, an' all. What she doesn't know about joinery and sawmill'd fill a book. We've had some rare dos on account of her getting wrong end of tale more nor once. Still, live and let live's my motto. Goo on up theer, 'n' you'll happen see Seth if he's not flit up to joiners' shop again."

The earth swallowed him up once more.

We endeavoured while looking for Seth to get some idea of what work we would be expected to do, but as everybody welcomed our approach as a signal for downing tools we were not very successful. However, I soon had my eye on an electric drill and screw-driver shaped like pistols. (These were eventually to prove my inseparable companions for some weeks of afternoons until I was promoted to be crane-driver and went to work from nine till five. But that's another story.) There seemed to be a lot of bandaged thumbs and fingers, but that was only to be expected. Above everything was the lovely odour of fresh pine.

We inquired again for the foreman.

"She means boss o' shop," said a gipsy-looking woman to her neighbour.

This somewhat discomfited me. I imagined myself clever about the foreman business and would have thought Horace was boss.

Seth eventually appeared—a tall man with a stoop and a pronounced limp—"a proper Weylander." How difficult it is to convey the essence of those words!

He looked at us sadly when we explained our mission and scratched the back of his head.

"Oo, aye," he said shortly.

We felt we should inquire a bit more into it.

"We would like to come in the afternoons."

"Oo, aye."

We could see that although he was a man of few words he thought volumes. In short he took a poor view of our abilities—not just ours in

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particular, as we nervously imagined on that first day, but of woman's abilities in general. (After a prolonged sojourn in the box shop we cannot deny that he has ample grounds for his slogan about women, which is Mr. Churchill's in reverse: "Give us the job and we'll finish the tools." As I broke my seventh drill and it echoed for the seventh time in my ears more in sorrow than in anger, I failed to appreciate its piercing wit.)

"We should like to start on Monday afternoon," my accomplice said, feeling that she was speaking out of turn, but Seth left her no option.

"Oo, aye," he grunted. "Did She tell you as it were one and a penny first fower week, and one and two after?"

We shook our heads.

"Ah thowt so."

"Well, you see, we didn't ask. . . ."
We hastened to the absent Annie's aid.

"Happen you'll not need to know about one and two. Good marnun'."

And he was gone, leaving us gazing ruefully at each other.

"Now what could he have meant by that?"

We went back to Annie, who sent us off for our cards, and then we returned home to announce to our derisive families that we were joiners.

But we qualified for the one-and-two and made Seth eat his words.

Part-time went into full-time, blisters into callouses, and the pretty flowered smocks we wore at first, in which we had potttered at home, gave way to blue dungarees, and suede shoes made way for the real Lancashire clog (not its refaned sister the Woodie), which is the most comfortable footgear I have ever worn.

Here we will stay until the day—not, happily, far off, so it seems now—when

we shall hand over our precious streamlined aluminium screw-guns and our antediluvian, rickety old cranes into the hands of those friends, relations and connections of Horace Whittle who left them so long ago for a pressing appointment in Burma, Belgium, Holland and Germany.

Maybe when that day comes even Seth will manage a smile!

Untrue Thomas the Rhymer

(Lines written after a short—but long enough—course in the French language.)

TO rhyme in French, you'll scarce deny,
Is easy, for there is well-nigh
No difficult rhyming for a bard
When duplication isn't barred.
To us, half-puns are not a rhyme,
Merely a blinking frost (or rime),
But Frenchmen love this and agree
It's clever in a high degree.

Although it can't be hard to write,
These geniuses may be right:
It's clever to decrease their load,
These bards who mine a low-grade lode.
"Don't work too hard, boys," says
their Muse,
"Till people pay you to amuse.
Though English poets work much
harder,
Does that fill up their empty larder?"
(That rhyme slipped in, but keep it, gal.
I do not care. *C'a m'est égal.*)

As one says, they have reason, ay.
You like this song? No more do I,
But then, not being French, you know,
Our reasoning is less lucid, no?



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LONDON



"Bless you, I go back to the time when we 'ad only ONE conductress!"





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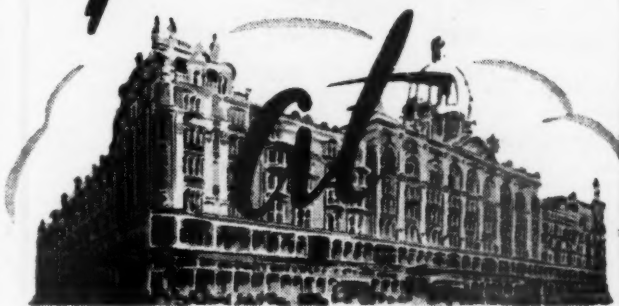
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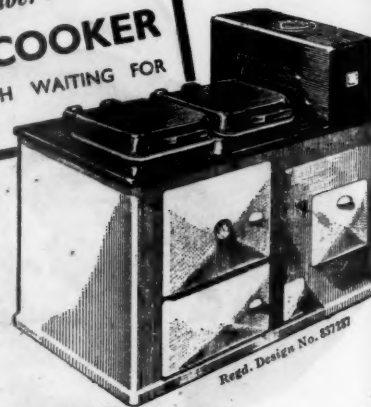
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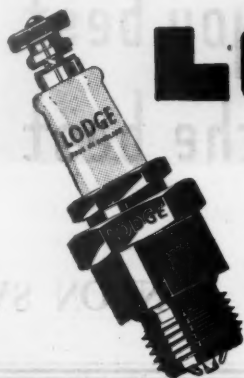
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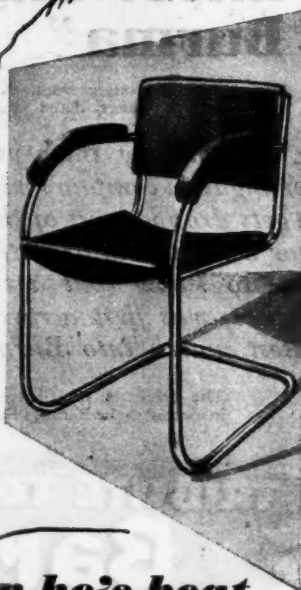
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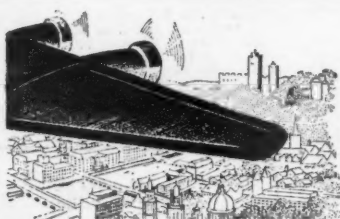


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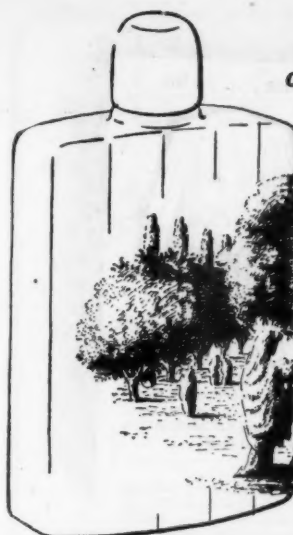
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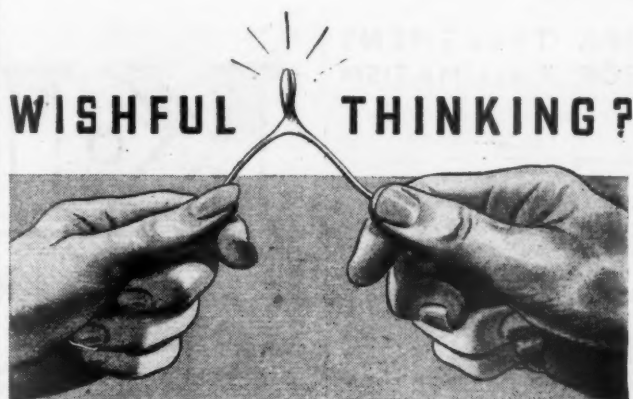
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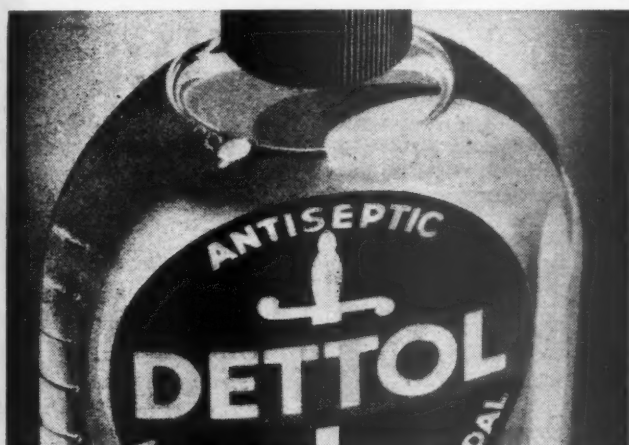
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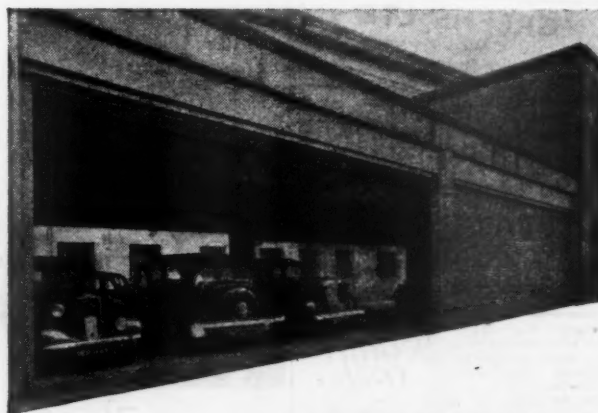
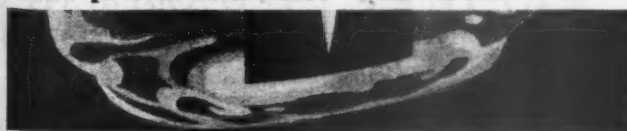
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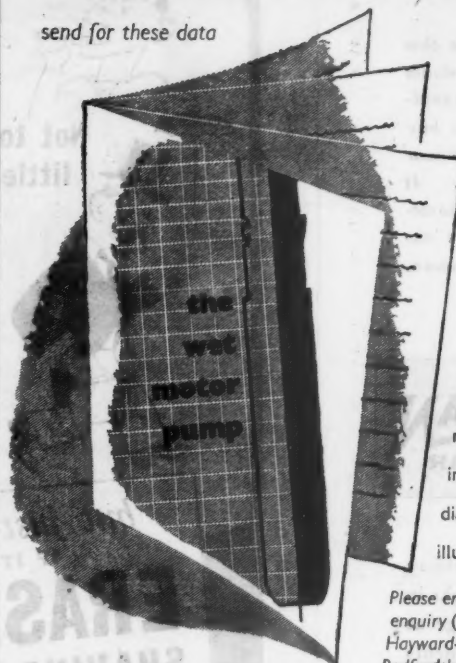
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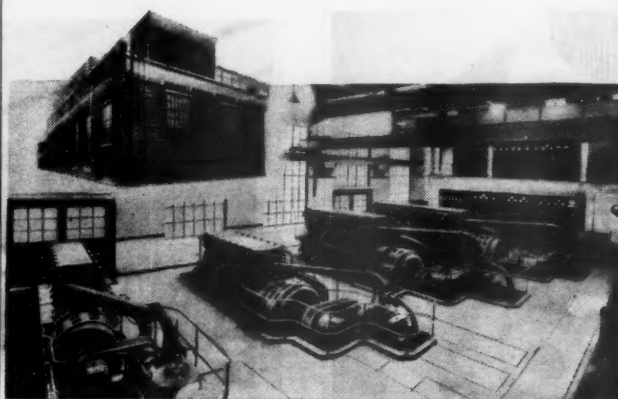
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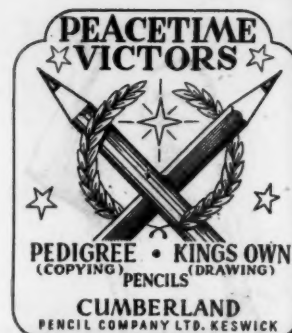
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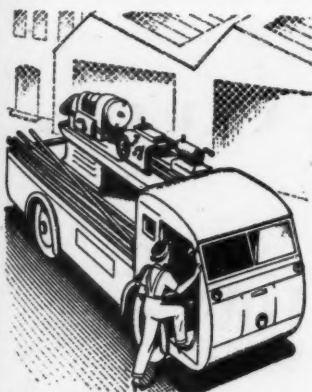
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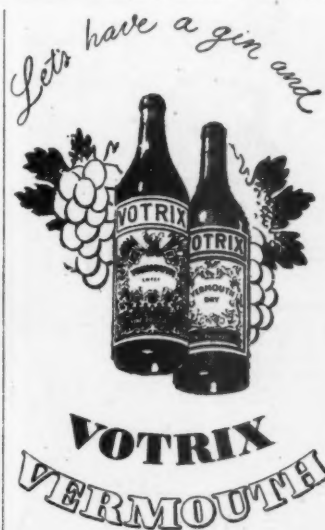
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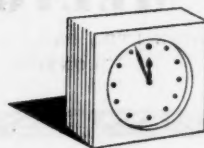
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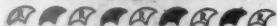
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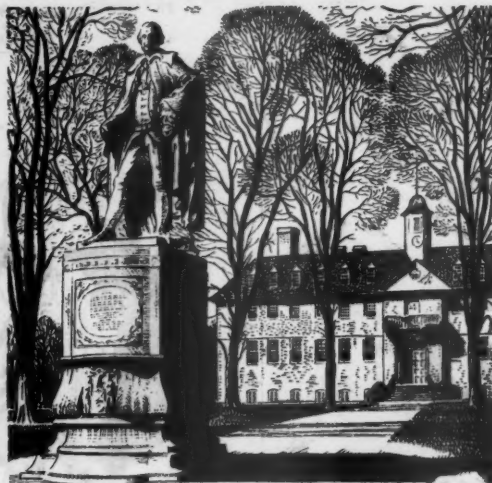


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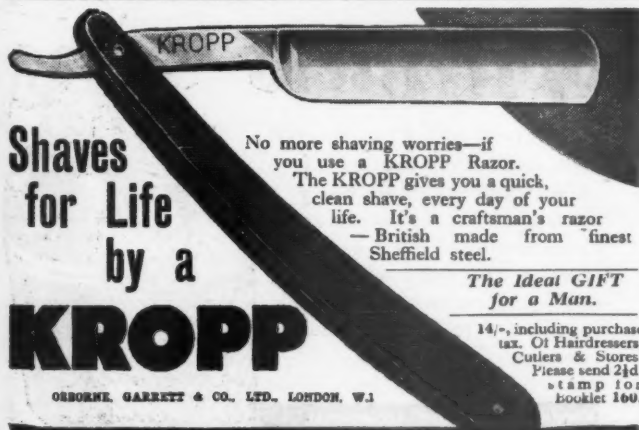
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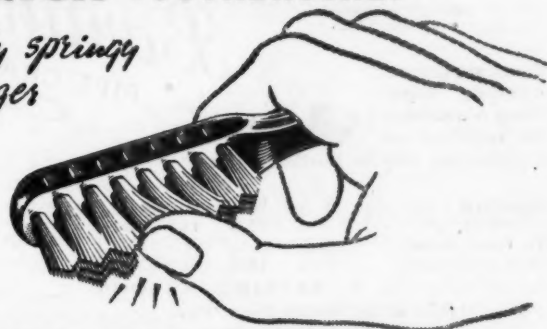
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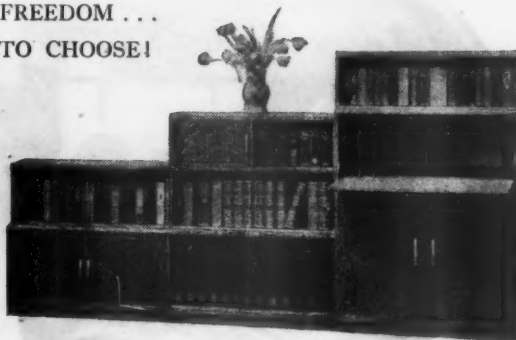
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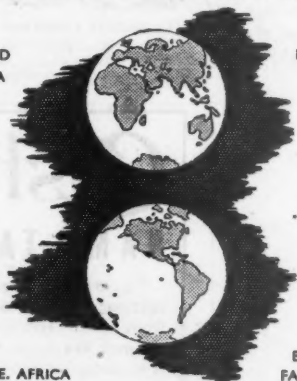
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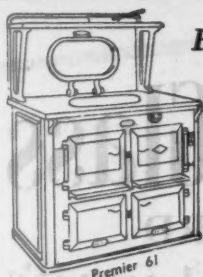


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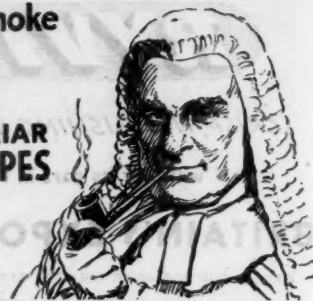
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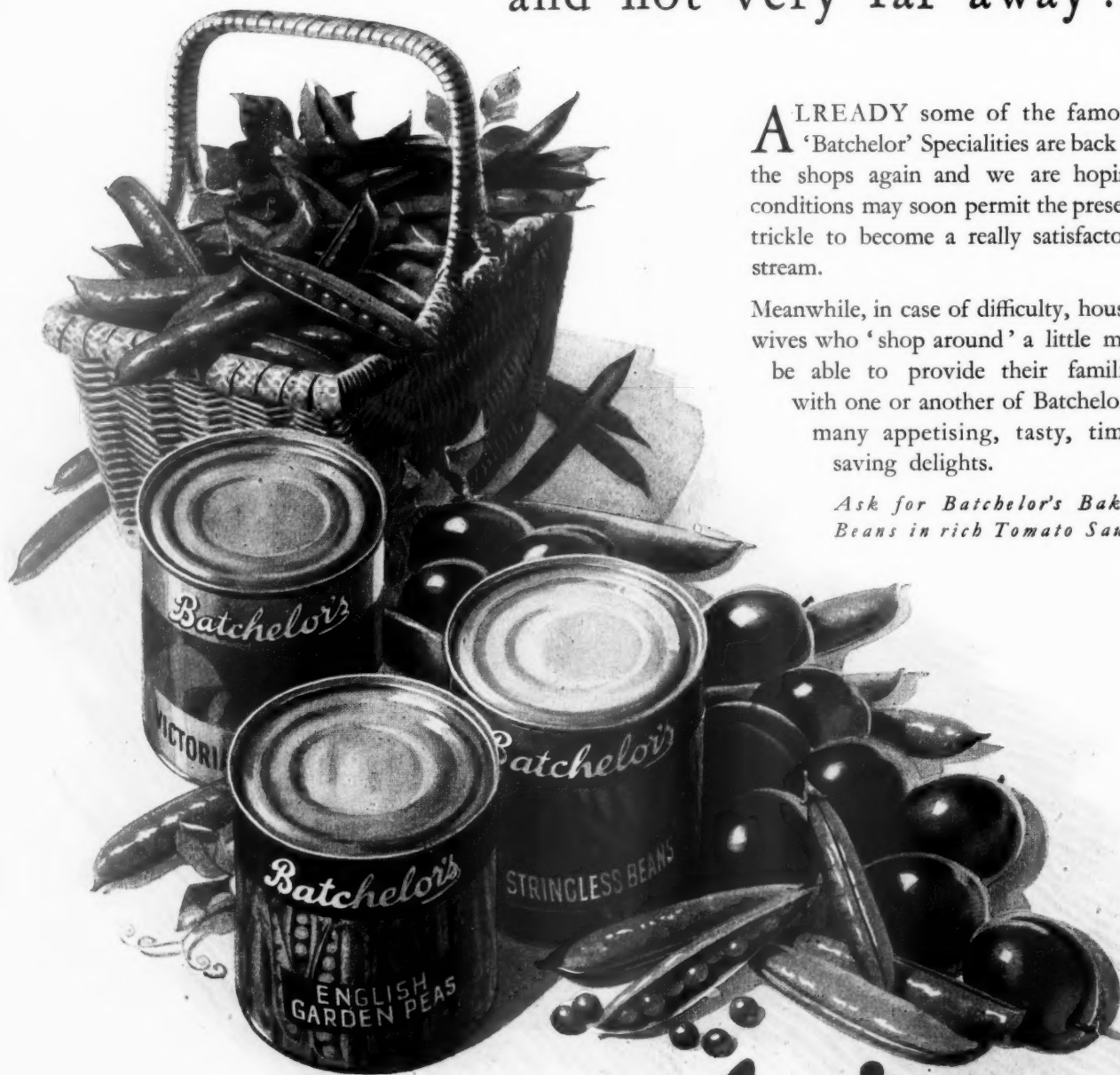
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